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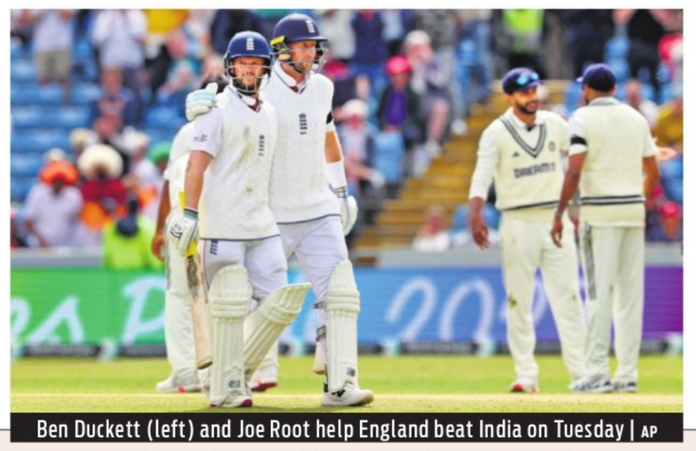

Ben Duckett (left) and Joe Root help England beat India on Tuesday | AP

FIVE HUNDREDS TO INDIA, 1ST TEST MATCH TO ENGLAND

Despite Indian batters scoring five hundreds in the two innings, they lost the first Test against England by five wickets at Leeds

DUCKETT, ROOT GUIDE ENGLAND HOME

As he ever so often does, Ben Duckett came to the fore for England with a sensational second innings hundred. He smashed a stellar 149 and, along with Zak Crawley, set up the chase before Joe Root took over. Even as wickets kept falling at other end, Root held fort (53 n.o from 84 balls) to take England over 371-run target with five wickets in hand

INDIA PREFER BATTING DEPTH TO BOWLING

- In what was one of the driest springs in England, India's team management decided to go with Shardul Thakur as their fifth bowler instead of adding one more spinner — Kuldeep Yadav
- It backfired and India did not use Thakur enough in both the innings. The second Test will be begin on June 2 | **MORE ON P15**

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INDIA HAVE NOW LOST SEVEN OF THEIR LAST NINE TEST MATCHES

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Cavities, cracks pose a threat to Kabini dam

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mysuru

FILE PIC

THE brimming Kabini reservoir, which is the lifeline of both Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, has developed minor cracks and cavities in the stone structure, pressing the need to protect the 50-year-old dam.

Though experts ruled out an immediate threat to the structure, they said any neglect or delay in filling up the cavities and cracks would weaken the structure. The irrigation officials had deployed robots and also underwater cameras when they found out the problem.

The crack and cavities are 40 to 50 cms and will increase if not filled, the experts said. Based on the findings and a report from the authorities of Cauvery Niravari Nigam Ltd, the state cabinet at its special meeting at Male Mahadeshwara Hills on April 24 approved Rs 32.35 crore for the dam repair work.

Despite the technical approval, officials could not take up the project because of increased inflows into the reservoir this monsoon, and high turbidity in the water that has reduced visibility.

The dam safety review team and the dam safety panel, comprising former chairmen of the Central Water Commission, have inspected the reservoir.

Sources said there has been a minor crack in the dam for the last 12 years and it had not been given priority like the KRS dam.

Irrigation Department Superintendent Engineer Mahesh admitted that there is a crack and cavity in the dam. He said they are planning to invite tenders to take up the work in November.

He said turbidity in water should reduce for professional divers to go into the water and fill up cracks. "We are preparing a project report of Rs 85 crore and presenting it to the Union government to take up the dam strengthening work. We are confident that the Centre will approve it as the Kabini reservoir is placed under Category 2, which needs immediate attention," he said.

There is, however, no immediate threat to the dam's safety, he added.

From July, rail fares may go up

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Railway Ministry is considering increasing fares of non-AC class in Mail/Express trains by 1 paisa and AC classes by 2 paise per kilometre from July 1, 2025, officials said on Tuesday.

There is no fare hike being planned for suburban trains and monthly season tickets in the interest of daily commuters.

"There is a strong chance of no fare hike for ordinary second class tickets for journeys up to 500 km... after crossing 500 km, the railways may charge half-paisa per km," a well-placed source said.

He added that the slight increase of 1 paisa per kilometre being considered for non-AC classes, and 2 paisa per kilometre for all AC classes is being done keeping in mind passenger interests.

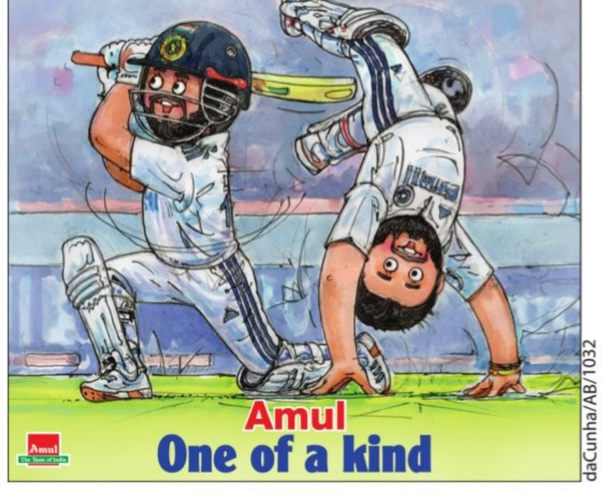
This hike, if implemented, would be the first since the pandemic and could generate additional annual revenue of around ₹10,000 to ₹12,000 crore.

According to sources, the hike is being planned to ensure it does not cause a burden to passengers.

"The revision for the slightest addition in the fare is likely to come as part of the Railways' ongoing efforts to manage operational costs without burdening passengers, especially regular commuters and those travelling short distance," said the senior official, suggesting an formal notification may be issued soon.

On average, 2.5 crore passengers travel daily on more than 13,000 trains, including 4,111 Mail and Express trains, covering 69,000 kilometres, managed under 17 zones and 69 divisions.

"Railways is leaving no stone unturned to provide infrastructure, safety and comfort. For all these, the revenue rise is needed," said a source.



Lokayukta vigilance wing set up to fight internal corruption

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

WITH no positive response from the state government on the constitution of the vigilance wing at the Lokayukta, the anti-corruption watchdog has gone ahead with setting up of a division to fight corruption and maladministration within its own institution. To set up the vigilance wing, Lokayukta Justice BS Patil had requested the state government to create 24 posts, including a sitting District Judge to lead the wing along with one SP, one DySP, two inspectors and others.

"Apart from that, we had also written to the government to sanction 339 posts last October for the entire Lokayukta. Awaiting the government's response, we have constituted the vigilance wing to be headed by the Registrar," said Justice Patil.

The institution is handling nearly 25,000 cases, both under the Karnataka Lokayukta Act and the Prevention of Corruption Act. As against 1,929 sanctioned strength, its working strength is 1,309. **CONTINUED ON P3**

After HC order, govt to repay ₹800-1,000cr to power users

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE state government will soon have to cough up around Rs 800-1,000 crore which the energy department had collected as taxes from consumers on the minimum tariff (fixed charges) from 2003 to 2013.

The Karnataka High Court on June 20 issued an order stating that tax on minimum tariff is unconstitutional, and petitioners can seek claims for the amount paid, with proper documents. Following this, industries, low-tension and high-tension consumers are collating their bills to seek their refund. Some are also preparing applications to file before energy supply companies (Escoms), seeking bill details.

MG Balakrishna, president, Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FKCCI) said it is a landmark judgment, and the government should note that it cannot levy unnecessary charges on consumers. Now, industries will file an appeal before court seeking refund, using this order.

The industries body had fought a 17-year long battle. **P4**

AX-4 MISSION LAUNCH TODAY

The Axiom-4 mission to the International Space Station is expected to liftoff at 2.31 am ET (12.01 IST) on Wednesday. The targeted docking for the satellite to the International Space Station (ISS) is scheduled for 7 am ET (4.30 pm IST) on Thursday, NASA said | **P5**

■ EXPLOSIONS IN TEHRAN AS ISRAEL HITS RADAR STATION ■ TRUMP BRISTLES AT VIOLATION OF PEACE PACT

Shaky start to Trump ceasefire as Iran, Israel hold off for now

AGENCIES

THE dramatic ceasefire announced by US President Donald Trump on Tuesday got off to a rocky start as both Iran and Israel continued air strikes and accused each other of flouting the truce pact. Trump later claimed the ceasefire became fully operational.

Trump's unilateral announcement came a day after Iran fired a handful of interceptable missiles at a US military base in Qatar, without harming anyone or damaging anything, in retaliation for the US strikes on Iranian nuclear sites on Sunday.

Shortly after Trump announced the peace deal through his social media platform Truth Social, Israel's air defence systems were activated to intercept missiles from Iran. The Israel Defense Forces said two missiles were shot at the country's north around 10.30 am, over three hours after the ceasefire ought to have begun.

Israel retaliated by striking an Iranian radar installation near Tehran but backed out from further attacks after Trump expressed displeasure at the ceasefire violation.

An angry Trump used an expletive on live television when reporters asked him about the fresh flare-ups. "We basically have two countries that have been fighting so long and so hard that they don't know what the f**k they're doing," he said during a press gaggle at the White House before leaving for The Hague to attend the NATO summit. Castigating both Iran and Israel for violating the ceasefire, Trump said he is even more unhappy with Israel for its reckless behaviour.

Later, he spoke to Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to ask him to fall in line. Following this, Trump stated: "ISRAEL is not going to attack Iran. All planes will turn around and head home... Nobody will be hurt."

As for Israel, Netanyahu said all of his country's war goals have been achieved. These include removing the threat of Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile programmes, taking out Iran's military leadership, and having control over Tehran's skies. He categorically added that Israel will "respond forcefully to any violation of the ceasefire".

Rejecting Israel's accusations, Iran said it did not launch any attack after the ceasefire was announced, adding that it will stand down as long as Tel Aviv respects the peace pact.

Iranian officials said their immediately priority is rebuilding the residential areas and public infrastructure damaged in the air strikes. "We witnessed attacks on residential areas, as well as on scientific centres, research institutes, healthcare facilities and civilians... We are facing a major task ahead in terms of reconstruction," government spokeswoman Fatemeh Mohajerani told state TV.

Meanwhile, there are concerns that the ceasefire may not hold for long due to trust deficit between Tehran and Tel Aviv. It took hours for Israel and Iran to even acknowledge they had accepted the ceasefire that Trump claimed to have brokered. Also, Israel has only promised to scale down their air strikes against Iran, not wind up the operation.

Trump said he is not interested in toppling the regime in Iran. "Regime change takes chaos and ideally we don't want to see chaos," he told reporters on board Air Force One heading to the NATO summit. **P12**

I've got to get Israel to calm down... as soon as we made the deal, Israel dropped a load of bombs the likes of which I've never seen before

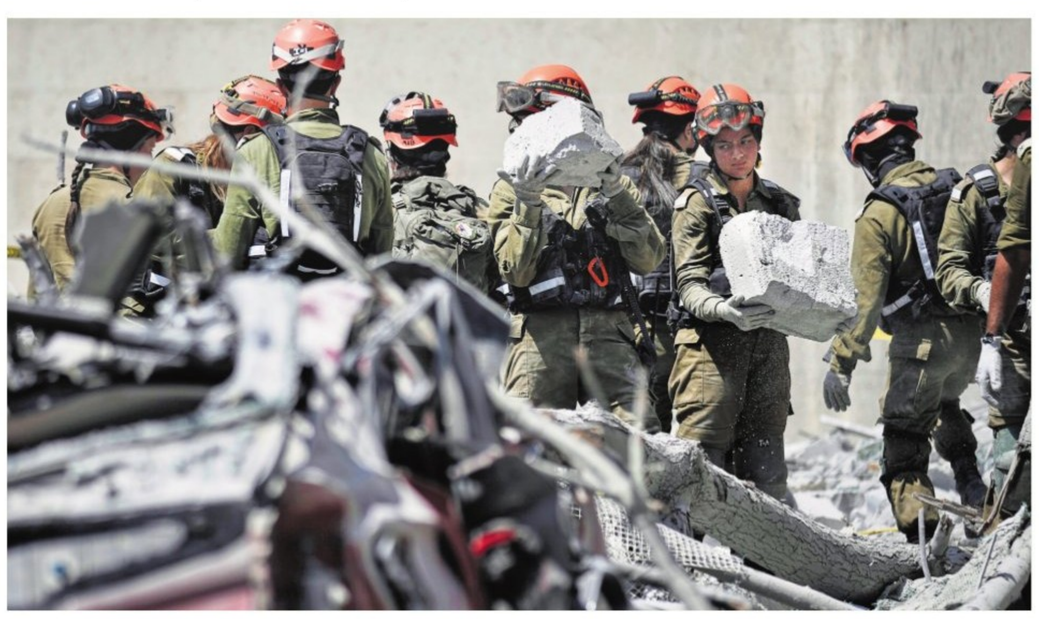
US President Donald Trump

Israel "refrained" from further strikes after a call between US President Donald Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu

Netanyahu's office

If the Zionist regime (Israel) does not violate the ceasefire, then Iran will not violate the peace agreement either

Iran's President Masoud Pezeshkian



Israeli soldiers from the Home Front Command unit work at the site struck by an Iranian missile, in Beersheba on Tuesday | AP

No alternative to talks, India ready to play its part: Govt

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

INDIA on Tuesday welcomed the ceasefire between Iran and Israel, expressing deep concern over recent hostilities and reiterating its readiness to "play its part" in promoting dialogue and long-term stability in the region. Acknowledging the role of the US and Qatar in securing the truce, the External Affairs Ministry emphasised that diplomacy remains the only viable solution to the multiple conflicts that confront West Asia.

"We have been following developments overnight relating to the conflict between Iran and Israel, including the US action against Iran's nuclear facilities and Iranian retaliation against US military bases in Qatar," a statement issued by the MEA said. "While we remain deeply concerned about the prospects for overall and sustained regional security and stability, we welcome reports of a ceasefire between Iran and Israel and the role played by the US and Qatar in bringing it about," it added.

India also stressed the importance of diplomatic engagement over military escalation. "We wish to reiterate that there is no alternative to dialogue and diplomacy in order to address and resolve the multiple conflicts in the region."

Meanwhile, 594 Indian nationals have been safely evacuated from Israel so far under Operation Sindhu, amid escalating tensions in the region.

Indian Air Force C-17 aircraft played a key role in the evacuation efforts, transporting stranded citizens via Jordan and Egypt. These Indian nationals had crossed over from Israel into these neighbouring countries by land before being airlifted. Two flights from Iran too landed in Delhi today.

BIG RELIEF

Sweet news for mango farmers, Centre announces MSP

V VELAYUDHAM @Kolar

THE Union government on Tuesday announced a minimum support price (MSP) for mangoes, bringing relief to thousands of farmers in Karnataka, who had been affected by crop loss and drastic fall in prices this year.

The Centre approved a price of Rs 1,616 per quintal and allowed the state government to procure 2,50,000 metric tonnes of mangoes for this marketing year. The Centre's decision followed a letter written by Union Minister of Heavy Industries and Steel HD Kumaraswamy to Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmer Welfare Shivaraj Singh Chouhan, requesting assistance to farmers. Former PM HD Deve Gowda too had written on Monday to PM Narendra Modi to come to the aid of mango farmers.

Farmers dump mangoes on the Bangaluru-Chennai Highway near Kondarajanajalli on Tuesday | EXPRESS

Replying to Kumaraswamy's letter, Chouhan announced the Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) for mangoes on Tuesday.

Immediately, Kumaraswamy posted on X, thanking Modi for the "unwavering and farmer-centric commitment" of the central government.

Mango farmers were demanding the support price for mangoes, especially the thotapuri variety that had seen a drastic fall in prices. The farmers had also successfully held a bandh at Srinivasapura, the hub of mango farming in the state.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah too had written to Chouhan on June 13, seeking MSP.

Earlier on Tuesday, mango farmers blocked the Bengaluru-Chennai national highway near Kondarajanahalli and dumped fruits on the road, bringing traffic to a halt. The police intervened and convinced farmers to withdraw their agitation.

Mango Growers Association president Neelaturu Chinnappa Reddy said they welcomed the Centre's decision on MSP, and thanked Kumaraswamy. He appealed to the Centre to implement the order immediately to help the distressed farmers.

Kolar MP Mallesh Babu said the decision was taken based on the letter written by Kumaraswamy.

NO 'SINDOOR' IMMUNITY, SAYS SC IN DOWRY CASE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

NOTING that serving in 'Operation Sindoor' does not give him immunity, the Supreme Court on Tuesday directed a Black Cat Commando to surrender in a case relating to dowry death linked to the killing of wife over 20 years ago.

He was convicted in the case under Section 304B of the IPC (dowry death) and had approached the court with an exemption plea that he had served in Operation Sindoor and worked as a commando for the last 20 years. A division bench was hearing a petition filed against a Punjab and Haryana High Court order that had dismissed the convict's appeal and upheld the sentence of rigorous imprisonment of 10 years. When the petitioner said, "I am a participant of Operation Sindoor. For the past 20 years I am a commando posted in Rashtriya Rifles," the bench retorted, "That doesn't give you immunity from committing atrocity at home. This goes to show how physically fit you are, and the manner in which alone you could have killed your wife, strangulated your wife."

ALMANAC TODAY

- **Wednesday:** 25.06.2025
- **Year:** Vishwavasu
- **Ayana:** Uttarayana
- **Ritu:** Greeshma
- **Masa:** Jyeshta
- **Paksha:** Krishna
- **Tithi:** Amavasya 4.19 pm
- **Nakshatra:** Mrigashira 11.18 am
- **Moon in** Kataka Rashi
- **Rahukaala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm
- **Gulikakala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
- **Yamaganda:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER

MIN 21°C | MAX 27°C

FORECAST
Passing showers. Overcast

Sunrise 05.55 am
Sunset 06.49 pm
Moonrise 05.27 am
Moonset 06.58 pm

Union Minister HD Kumaraswamy calls on cabinet colleague Nitin Gadkari at the latter's official residence in New Delhi on Tuesday | EXPRESS

AFTER DKS' TUNNEL ROAD, HDK PROPOSES UNDERGROUND ROADS

Gadkari seems to have agreed to the project

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

WHILE Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar has proposed the tunnel road from Hebbal to Silk Board Junction, Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel HD Kumaraswamy has pitched for an Ultra-Modern Underground Road Network (UMURN) to decongest the city.

On Tuesday, Kumaraswmay met Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari at the latter's residence in New Delhi and held extensive consultations on key infrastructure projects for Karnataka, especially the development of the Peripheral Ring Road and UMURN for Bengaluru city.

During the meeting, Kumaraswamy floated the idea of UMURN, to which Gadkari reportedly responded positively. Ironically, Kumaraswamy had opposed the tunnel road proposed by Shivakumar, but is now pitching for similar project for Bengaluru city.

In a letter addressed to Gadkari, Kumaraswamy stated that the construction of an integrated underground road network connecting key zones of the city would be a transformative infrastructure and it would serve as the backbone of Bengaluru's future urban mobility, significantly easing current bottlenecks, improving connectivity and supporting long-term sustainable growth.

Kumaraswamy made the proposal at a time when Bengaluru Smart Infrastructure Ltd (BSMILE) is gearing up to float tenders for the Rs. 42,000 crore tunnel road project to connect South to North and East to West parts of Bengaluru. Highlighting that Bengaluru is growing rapidly and attracting people from across the country for jobs and livelihoods, Kumaraswamy explained how this has led to increasing population density and traffic congestion. He emphasised that the construction of a modern underground road network and Peripheral Ring Road is essential for the city.

These projects, which aim to connect key zones across the city, will serve as permanent solutions to the traffic crisis, especially in the city centre. This transformative infrastructure will play a major role in Bengaluru's future development and contribute to long-term sustainable urban growth, he explained.

State can't stop bikes plying as transport vehicles: Owners to HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

IN the wake of the bike-taxi row, a few two-wheeler owners argued before the Karnataka High Court on Tuesday that the state government has no right to deny registration of two-wheelers as transport vehicles, or refuse to grant contract carriage permits under the garb of policy decision, when the Motor Vehicles Act (MVA) permits such actions and existing aggregator rules cover licence to operate two-wheelers on aggregator platforms.

An argument to that effect was made before the division bench of acting Chief Justice V Kameswar Rao and Justice CM Joshi by senior counsel Dhyan Chinnappa, representing the two-wheeler owners, during the hearing of appeals filed against the order of a single judge. On April 2, the single judge held that ride-hailing aggregators Ola, Uber, and Rapido cannot offer bike-taxi services on their platforms, unless the state government frames guidelines under Section 93 of the MVA. Against this, Uber India Systems Pvt Ltd, ANI Technology Pvt Ltd, Roppen Transportation Services Pvt Ltd, Varikruti Mahendra Reddy, and others, who own two-wheelers, have filed the appeals.

However, the government's stand stated that it has taken a policy decision not to frame the guidelines to allow bike taxis, as same is a violation of the provisions of the MVA.

Chinnappa submitted that the division bench of the HC in 2021 itself held that the definition of contract carriage includes a motorcycle to be used for hire and reward on which a passenger could be carried on a pillion, as notified by the Centre. Therefore, the stand taken by the state government is in complete violation of the Act, he argued. He further argued that there is no need for a separate licence or permission for aggregators like Ola, Uber, and Rapido to offer bike taxis on their platforms, as the licence granted by the state government to them under the Karnataka On-demand Transportation Technology Aggregators Rules, 2016, is enough as it covers motor cabs, including two-wheelers.

Further hearing has been adjourned to June 25.

A pile of mud and slush is proof of manhole repair work by the BWSSB lying unfinished for the last three weeks, even as vehicles ply along, on Platform Road in Seshadripuram on Tuesday | VINOD KUMAR T

Flight disruptions amid Gulf tensions hit travel at KIA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A temporary closure of West Asian airspace caused major disruptions at the Kempegowda International Airport on Tuesday. As a result, six incoming flights and 10 outgoing flights to Gulf destinations were cancelled. In a related impact, five Qatar Airways flights headed for Doha were rerouted to Bengaluru in the early hours of Tuesday, according to KIA officials. Many of these flights were originally scheduled for July 23 and 24.

Among the cancelled incoming flights were three IndiGo services from Doha, Abu Dhabi, and Jeddah, along with a Kuwait Airways flight from Kuwait City, an Akasa Air flight from Abu Dhabi, and an Air India flight from London.

The outbound services that were called off include four IndiGo flights headed for Jeddah, Abu Dhabi, Doha, and Dubai, a Kuwait Airways service to Kuwait City, one Akasa Air flight to Abu Dhabi, two Air India Express flights to Dammam and Abu Dhabi, a Gulf Air flight to Bahrain, and an Air India service to London.

In addition to these cancellations, five international flights that were originally en route to Hamad International Airport in Doha were diverted to Bengaluru. These included four Qatar Airways flights and one operated by Virgin Australia, arriving from cities such as Osaka, Phuket, Jakarta, Sydney, and Hong Kong.

DCET 2025 RESULTS OUT

BENGALURU: The KEA announced the rankings for 20,346 candidates who appeared for the Diploma Common Entrance Test (DCET) 2025, on Tuesday. The results can be checked and downloaded in the pdf format on cetonline.karnataka.gov.in. After the government releases the seat matrix, the allotment process shall begin, a release said. KEA also announced the commencement of accepting applications from eligible candidates for admission into postgraduate dental (MDS) courses for academic year 2025-26. Applications can be submitted on the website. The last date to apply for MDS courses is June 29, and June 30 is the last date to pay the application fees. For the document verification process, potential applicants will have to book slots via a link that will be released on the website on June 27.

AEROSPACE PARK

495 acres in 3 villages won't be acquired: Patil

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

CLARIFYING to protesting farmers in and around Devanahalli over land acquisition, Large and Medium Industries Minister MB Patil on Tuesday announced that 495 acres of land belonging to three villages in Channarayapatna hobli in Devanahalli have been excluded from acquisition for the proposed hi-tech Defence and Aerospace Park.

It was also decided not to acquire any land from the hobli in future for industrial purposes, and appealed to the protesting farmers to call off their agitation. The decision was taken during a meeting with Devanahalli MLA and Bengaluru Rural district minister KH Muniyappa, at Patil's office in Vidhana Soudha.

The ministers explained that the preliminary notification for acquiring 1,772.2 acres of land in 13 villages in Channarayapatna hobli was issued on August 27, 2021, followed by a government order on February 15, 2022. "However, it was observed that farmers from this region had already lost land twice earlier for industrial projects. Taking this into account, along with the fact that the land included irrigated farmland and human habitation, the government decided to exclude 231.23 acres in Channarayapatna, 185.18 acres in Mattibarlu, and 78.21 acres in Shrotriya Tellohalli from the acquisition process," Patil explained.

He added that compensation for the acquired land will be determined by the District Commissioner and land losers will have the option of receiving 10,771sqft of developed land per acre, which they can use for commercial purposes, the minister clarified. The protesters were primarily concerned about land acquisition in Channarayapatna, Mattibarlu and Shrotriya Tellohalli. A meeting was also held with CM Siddaramaiah earlier. "The government has honoured the demands of farmers. The protest should now end. We must strike a balance between industrial growth and agricultural welfare," Patil stated.

EXPRESS READ

Yoga event held in Padmanabhanagar

BENGALURU: A special community yoga event was held in Padmanabhanagar, organised by BJP Padmanabhanagar Mandala, in collaboration with 'The Happy Yoga Community', under the guidance of Yoga Acharya Bharath M Iyengar. Leader of Opposition in the Assembly and MLA – Padmanabhanagar, R Ashoka, and founder of the The Happy Yoga Community took part. The event highlighted the core theme "Yoga for One Earth, One Health", promoting the role of yoga in fostering both personal wellbeing and environmental harmony. Participants engaged in asanas and pranayama, emphasising the benefits of yoga for sleep, immunity, mental clarity, and emotional balance.

SC members protest over caste certificate delays

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MEMBERS of the Scheduled Castes (SC) across the city protested at Freedom Park, demanding immediate intervention to resolve delays and denials in issuing caste certificates. The protest, organised by grassroots community leaders, highlighted the bureaucratic hurdles that continue to deny vulnerable families access to essential government welfare schemes.

The demonstrators, many of whom live in informal settlements, raised concerns about the mandatory requirement of school transfer certificates for caste verification — an unrealistic demand for thousands who are unlettered or migrated from other districts and states.

Activists and members of the SC communities hold posters and protest in Freedom Park on Tuesday | EXPRESS

Despite belonging to historically marginalised SC communities, these families are unable to produce documentary evidence, such as school records, leaving them excluded from schemes that require caste-based proof, according to a release.

Emotional testimonies

Single women and widowed mothers shared emotional testimonies about their children being denied caste certificates due to the absence of the father's caste proof or school documents, the release added.

Additional Director of the Department of Social Welfare, Nagesh, visited the protestors and assured to coordinate with the Revenue Department and arrange for a joint meeting to resolve the issues.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

25TH June : I am fascinated by the fact that, in some places, such as Myanmar, today counts as two days. The reason is that they have an extra 'planet' - the spot in the sky where the Moon's path crosses the Sun's. It's represented by a dragon, and is said to rule the whole of today after noon. So there you go - there are indeed eight days in the week!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
It's always good to consider your options. Events towards the end of last week, or at the weekend, may have made you think twice about a particular relationship. Today, the main issue may be financial, perhaps concerning custody of joint possessions or resources.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
You could easily overstep the mark this week, perhaps encouraged now by the Moon's emotional alignments. You may, for example, be easily provoked, but you'd do well to listen to what partners are trying to say. You might realise that they were really on your side all the time.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
If you are still licking your wounds you are likely to completely miss fresh warning signals alerting you to new irritations. You may be out-classed and out-gunned, so a tactical withdrawal could be in your best interests. Until you are ready for a second chance, that is.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You may be preoccupied with personal affairs. It would be very much wiser to face up to challenges at work, but it may not be possible to make a clean sweep. There does still seem to be a great deal more to take place before you can see the final outcome.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
It's time to make up your mind. Decisions that are finalised or agreed now, should encourage you to stop prevaricating over a domestic upheaval, perhaps to do with children, or a creative matter, but only if you recognise the value of authority and tradition.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
The Sun is related to that decisive planet Uranus, providing an interesting sub-plot for today's planetary sermon, encouraging you to change direction at home. A domestic gamble, for example, should pay off. First, though, ask people you live with what they really want.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
The spread of positive planets in your horoscope, suggests that the only important considerations at the moment are purely personal. Even at work you will have to be true to yourself - nobody will respect you if you pretend you can accomplish tasks which are not in your normal line.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You may be in the right, and more than entitled to challenge others' statements and opinions. However, time has moved on, and even though you might be quite correct, some people may be chronically incapable of realising the truth of what you say. That, though, is their problem!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
What comes to light in a roundabout manner should at last enable you to issue the odd ultimatum - or three! If people don't submit right away, you may give them another few days at least. And if they still don't agree then you might have to change your plans!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You probably feel like taking a sabbatical from several important tasks, challenges or responsibilities. You may have to concede that there is no chance of getting to the root of a current predicament. Perhaps some mysteries are not meant to be solved!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Other people can be so maddening at times. If you are to ensure that team and group activities turn out in your favour, you will have to admit to rather more than you ever thought possible. Still, sometimes the more you give, the greater your rewards in the end.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You will do well to concentrate either on knowing your rights, or on pursuing an ethical course of action. A continuing emphasis on foreign places and distant parts stimulates your nomadic tendencies. You could even be dreaming of a journey to the far side of the earth.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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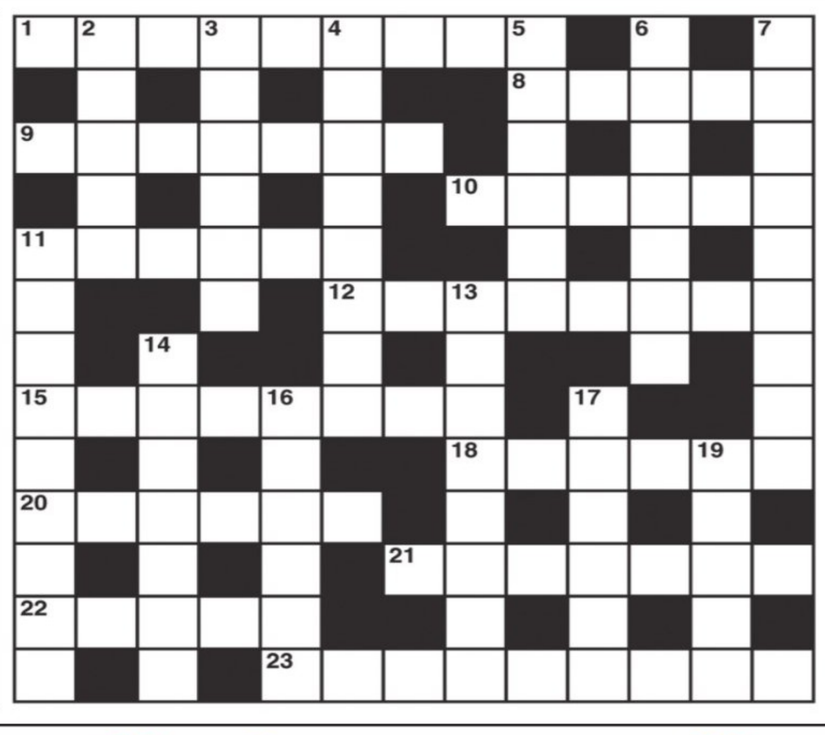

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 A serial killer is trained to be durable (9)
8 Man of property, three quarters in gold (5)
9 Current source for guns (7)
10 The players stand in front of the French chateau (6)
11 Make a cat sit still (6)
12 Having paid, he recovers (8)
15 Makes a start for example in water sports (8)
18 In truth the first drink is included (6)
20 Increasing keenness (6)
21 Dance apace (3-4)
22 Point out a French resort of relative importance (5)
23 A fine commotion over a sandy waste (4,5)

DOWN

2 Inclined to write an article in fast time (5)
3 Property of the Oriental Express (6)
4 EC man new reactor, a case for uranium (8)
5 Small number turned up in time to be present (6)
6 No great matter in a New York examining body? (7)
7 Space for the rest of the actors (5,4)
11 Looking for loose change sir? (9)
13 Clearly not as others are (8)
14 In age so twisted suffering pains (7)
16 Inclined to be guarded (6)
17 It's reddish-brown but not orange (6)
19 Absolutely diaphanous? (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Rubicon, 4 Beast, 7 Vale, 8 Stitch up, 10 Los Angeles, 12 Styled, 13 Adrift, 15 Apocryphal, 18 Property, 19 Told, 20 Dumas, 21 Hearken.

Down: 1 Ravel, 2 Bull's eye, 3 Nutmeg, 4 Better days, 5 Ache, 6 Topcoat, 9 Interprets, 11 Fish hook, 12 Snapped, 14 Scotch, 16 Laden, 17 Norm.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

ZOWYO

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NCSAAV

Reaching mile 20 took forever! The rest was just a blur. Let's talk later.
FINISH
Yeah, I need some rest. See ya!
NOW THAT THEY'D COMPLETED THE 26-MILE RACE, IT WAS TIME ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: LEAKY LOCAL BOOKIE TRUDGE
Answer: They thought the slight increase in the fee to cross the bridge was — "TOLL-ERABLE"

A 23-year-old woman died after accidentally falling from the 13th floor of an under-construction building near Rayasandra in Parappana Agrahara police station limits on Monday. The deceased Nandini from Andhra Pradesh was working in a hyper market in the city. Around 6 pm, Nandini had gone to the under-construction building along with three friends. While walking near the edge of the 13th floor, she slipped and fell

Lokayukta officials during their raids in Bengaluru, on Tuesday; (Inset) Cash and jewellery recovered after one of the raid | EXPRESS

LOKAYUKTA RAIDS ON EIGHT OFFICIALS UNEARTH ₹34.9 CR DA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

IN simultaneous raids conducted on 45 properties across the state on Tuesday, the Lokayukta police unearthed assets disproportionate to their known sources of income worth Rs 34.90 crore from eight officials. The assets include jewellery worth Rs 3.72 crore, immovable assets worth Rs 23.02 crore and Rs 27.55 lakh in cash.

In Shivamogga, Dr S Pradeep, professor/coordinator of organic farming, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, was found with Rs 6.34 crore in disproportionate assets. These included immovable assets of Rs 4.45 crore, comprising five sites, a house and 16 acres and 7 guntas of agricultural land. His movable assets of Rs 1.89 crore included jewellery worth Rs 34.75 lakh, livestock worth Rs 15.50 lakh, a farmhouse worth Rs 50 lakh and Rs 29.75 lakh in bank accounts.

The raid on BBMP executive engineer Prakash K S unearthed DA of Rs 5.70 crore, that includes three sites, two houses, movable assets, including jewellery worth Rs 43 lakh and vehicles worth Rs 88 lakh.

In Anekal, K G Amarnath, chief officer of the Municipal Corporation, allegedly possessed DA of Rs 3.85 crore, including immovable assets of Rs 2.80 crore, including two sites, a house and movable assets of Rs 1.04 crore.

Mallikarjuna Allipur, executive engineer, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department in Kalaburagi, allegedly acquired Rs 6.32 crore DA, including immovable assets of Rs 3.90 crore, comprising a site, three houses and four acres of land. His movable assets of Rs 2.42 crore included a Rs 64.75-lakh bank balance.

In Sannuru GP of Kalaburagi district, Ramachandrappa, Panchayat Development Officer, acquired Rs 2.18 crore DA, including immovable assets of Rs 1.70 crore, comprising three sites, three houses, 35 acres of agricultural land and movable assets of Rs 48.45 lakh.

In Dharwad, Ashok Lakshmappa Vasanad, chief engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Limited, Malaprabha Project Zone, possessed Rs 6.11 crore DA, including immovable assets of Rs 3.15 crore, comprising seven sites, three houses, 19 acres 3 guntas of agricultural land and movable assets of Rs 2.95 crore, including Rs 1.74 crore bank balance and jewellery worth Rs 96.67 lakh.

Lathamani D B, account superintendent of municipal city office in Chikkamagaluru, acquired Rs 2.89 crore DA, including Rs 1.78 crore immovable assets, comprising six sites, two houses and movable assets of Rs 1.11 crore.

D B Patil, Police Inspector of Gadag Town Police Station, possessed Rs 1.48 crore DA, including immovable assets of Rs 1 crore, comprising four sites, a house and movable assets of Rs 48.96 lakh, including Rs 4.89 lakh cash and jewellery worth Rs 10 lakh.

'How can IPS officer have links with guilty constable?'

YATHIRAJU @Bengaluru

"HOLDING a high position in Karnataka Lokayukta, how an IPS officer (Srinath Joshi Mahadev) was having contact with a head constable (Ningappa) and meeting him in his office constantly knowing fully well that he has been dismissed from the service for misconduct? How did he (Joshi) share the screenshots of investments made in cryptocurrency and crypto wallet with the accused Ningappa if he is innocent and not part of the conspiracy or has no nexus with him," Lokayukta special court judge KM Radhakrishna asked the counsel for Joshi, who has been relieved as SP from the Lokayukta office.

The court shot off these posers while rejecting Joshi's anticipatory bail petition after hearing the Lokayukta police, who sought custodial interrogation of Joshi to unearth the truth. The court said the allegations against Joshi are serious and larger public interest is involved in the case. The High Court has stayed further proceedings of this crime till June 30.

The prosecution argued that Joshi is accused of joining hands with Ningappa and conspiring with him to extract money from officials of various government departments. He was making phone calls to officials through Ningappa and illegally extracting money, threatening to raid them. He was investing the bribes in cryptocurrency wallets and Bitcoins with Ningappa's help, they said.

Joshi's counsel argued that just because Ningappa was his subordinate for two years while he was an SP in Chitradurga, there is an apprehension about his links with Ningappa, even though his name was not in the complaint or FIR. Joshi is innocent but has been falsely implicated in the case which will affect his promotion in August, the counsel alleged.

Except Ningappa's blind statement about his association with Joshi, no materials were found against him but there is apprehension of Joshi's arrest. Since he has been relieved from the Lokayukta and has reported to the parent department, there is no question of tampering with or threatening witnesses. If he is arrested by the Lokayukta police, Joshi's service record will be impacted, he argued.

Manjunath Honnaiah Naik, Public Prosecutor, Karnataka Lokayukta, said Joshi had been in constant touch with Ningappa and there are call details records, CCTV footage of Lokayukta office and photos. Also Joshi had shared Whatsapp screenshots of cryptocurrency investments and crypto wallets with Ningappa, he argued.

> **How did he (Joshi) share the screenshots of investments made in cryptocurrency and crypto wallet with the accused Ningappa**
> –Lokayukta special court judge KM Radhakrishna

'Every possible effort made to streamline police wing'

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CASES pending with the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) were transferred to it along with its 120 staff by the state government. It was asked to utilise the existing staff to establish the Vigilance Wing which was abolished after the constitution of ACB.

However, with the redistribution of ACB staff to the head office and district offices of Lokayukta and with many posts lying vacant, the Vigilance Wing could not be constituted.

"After IPS officer, ex-SP Srinath M Joshi's prima facie alleged involvement came to light in Ningappa's case in extortion of government officials, I was ruthless in dealing with the police officials. With taking ADGP and IGP into confidence, every possible effort has been made to streamline the police wing," Justice Patil told *TNIE*. The Legal Cell of Lokayukta, which is handling nearly 3,000 cases pending before the tribunals, trial courts, high court and Supreme Court, is also suffering due to lack of required staff.

To add, the assets and liabilities of the elected representatives including GP members can be submitted online which have to be received and scrutinised by the Lokayukta institution, which demands high manpower, sources in Lokayukta said. No SP posts are sanctioned by the state government for nine districts such as Bidar, Chamarajanagar, Chikkam-agaluru, Gadag, Haveri, Vijayanagara, Madikeri, Koppal and Udupi. Even the Lokayukta's request to a sanction of Rs 4.44 crore to buy 44 vehicles including 38 for police officials is pending.

EXPRESS READ

Speeding car runs over two women in Devanahalli

Bengaluru: Two women returning home after collecting hay for cattle, were run over by a car in Bengaluru Rural police station limits on Monday. The driver of the car sustained injuries, after he ended up crashing into a wall. The deceased are Thimmakka (60) and Yashoda (33)-- both residents of Bommavara. The accident occurred around 4 pm, when Suresh, driver, was reportedly overspeeding. "The women are not related, but had gone together to fetch fodder. Since it was a narrow road, they were walking alongside the road when car hit them and they died on spot. The car driver, who has been hospitalised, is out of danger," said an officer. **ENS**

3 more held in Bannerghatta sexual harassment case

Bengaluru: The Bannerghatta police investigating the sexual harassment case of the 26-year-old beautician at SRY Layout have arrested three more accused. The main accused was already arrested and is under medical treatment after he was attacked by the woman's associate who is a gym trainer, who was also arrested based on a counter complaint. Based on the woman's complaint, the police have registered a case against four people. The police have arrested 24-year-old John Richard, the cab driver along with Puneeth, Anush Madan and Kanikya Swamy. The four accused who were under the influence of alcohol sexually harassed and attacked her on Sunday morning. **ENS**

STREET OUTCRY

Street vendors protest against the State Government for not allowing them to carry out their business, at Freedom Park in Bengaluru, on Tuesday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Cops issue notice to Hegde over road rage case

Bengaluru: The Dabaspet police have issued a notice to former union minister **Anantkumar Hegde** to appear for questioning in connection with a road rage case. Meanwhile, Hegde's car driver Mahesh and gunman Shreedhar, who were arrested by the police, were released later. A senior police officer said that a notice had been issued to the former MP, directing him to appear before the police for questioning within three days. The complaint alleged that Hegde instigated his driver and gunman to assault the victims. Mahesh and Shreedhar, who allegedly assaulted four people, including a woman, were arrested and later released on bail on Tuesday. According to the FIR, Hegde is named as accused no. 1 (A1), his gunman as accused no. 2, and his driver as accused no. 3. Four others are also mentioned in the complaint. Saif Khan, a businessman, stated that the incident took place on NH-48 on Monday. **ENS**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the General public that the registered General Power of Attorney dated 02.05.2025 bearing No. BSK-4-00104-2025-26 registered on 08.05.2025 before the Sub Registrar Basavanagudi, Bangalore, executed by my Clients 1) Smt. Jayamma, W/o. Late Puttaswamy, 2) Sri. Murthy .P, S/o. Late Puttaswamy, 3) Sri Kumar .P, S/o. Late Puttaswamy, 4) Krishna P, S/o. Late Puttaswamy, 5) Srinivas .P, S/o. Late Puttaswamy, 6) Master Vijaykumar, S/o. Late Govindaraju .P (Represented by natural guardian) 7) Mrs. Jyothi .P, D/o. Late Puttaswamy, All are residing at. No. Narasamma layout, Uttarhalli Village, Uttarhalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk Bangalore - 560061 in favour of **Mr. Prakash Gupta** S/o. Mahaveer Prasad Gupta R/at: No. 27, 1st A Cross, Ex Service Men Coloney Near White House, R.T. Nagra, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560032 has been cancelled by causing legal notice dated: 11.06.2025 to him. Therefore , my clients hereby notify to the General public that the said **Mr. Prakash Gupta** S/o. Mahaveer Prasad Gupta are not on agent / power of attorney of my clients and that anybody transacting in respect of the schedule property with the above said **Mr. Prakash Gupta** S/o. Mahaveer Prasad Gupta would be doing so at their own risk and that my clients would not be bound by the same.

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ADDENDUM

RECRUITMENT OF DEAN ON REGULAR BASIS FOR ESIC MEDICAL TEACHING INSTITUTIONS – PGIMSRs/MEDICAL COLLEGES - 2025

In continuation of the advertisement dated 05.06.2025 for the recruitment to the post of Dean in ESIC on direct recruitment basis, it is informed that as per the existing Recruitment Regulations of Dean (RRs 2015), the prescribed age limit for the direct recruits, as published in the detailed advertisement, is as follows:

"Not exceeding 55 years (relaxable up to five years for employees of the Employees' State Insurance Corporation and government servants, in accordance with the instructions or orders issued by the Central Government from time to time)."

The following is added in the advertisement:

a) The age of retirement of the post is 62 years.
b) In the event of number of applications being large, ESIC may shortlist the number of candidates for calling for the interview in accordance with the provisions of the RRs.
c) Number of vacancy will be 11 instead of 10 (as mentioned in the advertisement). The revised details of vacancies is as under:

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Last Date of Receiving Queries (RFP)	07-07-2025 up to 17:00 hrs
Pre-bid Conference	09-07-2025, 12:00 hrs@ Board Room, Gujarat Maritime Board, 2nd Floor, GIFT House - Office, Gujarat International Finance Tec-City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat - 382355
Last date for submission of the Technical & Financial Bid online	16-07-2025, up to 17:00 hrs on https://gmbtender.nprocure.com
Last date of submission of physical copy of the Technical Bid by RPAD/Speed Post	28-07-2025, up to 17:00 hrs at General Manager (PPP), Gujarat Maritime Board, 2nd Floor, GIFT House - Office, Gujarat International Finance Tec-City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat - 382355

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This is issued for the information of all concerned.

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PGETA-2025

IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE

CONDUCT OF ADDITIONAL PGETA 2025 TEST

The Council has decided to conduct an additional test for **PGETA 2025** on **July 20, 2025** in order to provide one more opportunity to eligible aspirants, at national level for admission to 2-year Postgraduate programmes being imparted at the architectural institutions, approved by the Council for the academic session 2025-2026.

The candidates desirous to take admission into Postgraduate Programmes in Architecture are advised to register themselves for **PGETA-2025** at **www.pgeta.in.** The registration for the PGETA shall end on **July 15, 2025.** A candidate can appear for a maximum of 3 attempts in **PGETA 2025.**

For detailed information regarding the test and eligibility criteria for admission to the Post Graduate Programme in Architecture, please refer **PGETA 2025** Brochure available at **www.pgeta.in.** A list of institutions imparting Postgraduate programmes in Architecture duly approved by the Council in the country is available at the website of the Council - **www.coa.gov.in.**

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			7	I, II, III, IV	
3.	Chithar	Maruthamparai	27	I, II, III	
4.	Kodayar	Kuthiyar	67	I, II, III, IV, V	11.08.2025 upto 5.30 pm
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Transport Minister B Ramalinga Reddy said ruling party MLAs making open statements against their own government is not acceptable. "Not all MLAs can become ministers or chairmen of boards and corporations. Hence, they should be patient. If they do not have patience, it will not go well in the long run. Of the 135 MLAs, one or two have made such statements, and it is not acceptable considering the party's integrity," he said

● Not a poor man living off money meant for the poor, says minister ● We are like family, common to have misunderstandings, says Congress MLA BR Patil

ZAMEER DENIES CHARGES, OFFERS TO QUIT IF GUILTY

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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KARNATAKA Housing, Minorities, and Wakf Minister **BZ Zameer Ahmed Khan** has denied the accusations of corruption in the allotment of houses meant for the underprivileged. Speaking to the media in Bengaluru on Tuesday, Zameer claimed that he is "not a poor man who lives off money meant for the poor," and declared that he would "resign" if any of the charges made against him are proved.

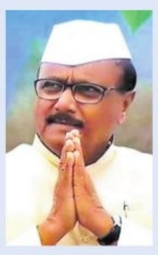
"Taking such money from the poor is inexcusable," Zameer said, adding that such actions are unpardonable and have no place in his department. His comments come in response to allegations made by senior Congress MLA BR Patil, who has raised concerns over irregularities in housing allotments.

Zameer said that a formal inquiry would be launched to investigate the claims. "If anyone is found guilty, strict action will follow," the minister said, adding that he would personally speak to Patil to clarify the matter.

The minister emphasised that Patil had not directly accused him or named any officials in his statements. If it is found that any local panchayat member has taken bribes, and if credible information comes to light, appropriate steps will be taken, Zameer added.

Clarifying the administrative process, Zameer said that the Housing Department does not handle the selection of beneficiaries directly. "The allotment of houses is done at the gram panchayat level based on recommendation letters from MLAs," he said. In the case of the Aland constituency, where questions have been raised, he said that 950 houses were allotted based on a recommendation letter from Patil himself.

In response to Congress MLA Belur Gopalakrishna's call for his resignation, Zameer said the legislator lacks a clear understanding of the process and facts. Khan also mentioned that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has been fully briefed on the issue. "He was away on tour earlier, but now I have met with officials and collected all the necessary details," he said.



MISUNDERSTANDING COMMON IN FAMILY, SAYS CONG MLA BR PATIL

Hosapete: Congress Aland MLA BR Patil said that misunderstanding are common in the family. On the letter he wrote to CM Siddaramaiah regarding corruption in distribution of houses, Patil said, "We are like a family and it's common to have misunderstandings. On Wednesday, I will meet CM Siddaramaiah and explain about the letter."

Patil should've discussed issues with CM, DKS, Kharge: Priyank

KALABURAGI: Responsing to the recent remarks of Congress MLA BR Patil, RDPR and IT/BT Minister **Priyank Kharge** has said that if the legislator had any grievances, he could have discussed them with CM Siddaramaiah, DyCM DK Shivakumar and AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge rather than airing them in public. Priyank said Patil is a senior Congress leader and he respects his fighting spirit and ideology. Priyank said that in the leaked phone conversation allegedly involving Patil, the officer clearly denied Patil's allegations and said that legal action would be taken if any such lapse was proven. On Patil's allegation that most of the employees serving in Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences in Kalaburagi are from Chittapur and Sedam taluks, Priyank said that it is natural for the people of the respective MLA's constituency to expect jobs when projects are brought. On Kagwad MLA Raju Kage's statement, Priyank said, "Every MLA expects more funds from the government; what is wrong with that?" On whether the Centre's refusal of permission for his proposed US trip was politically motivated, Priyank replied in the affirmative. "Due to the Centre's refusal of permission, the expected investment of Rs 15,000 crore to Karnataka has stopped, and at least 3,000 people who could have gotten employment will be disappointed," he said. When asked if he can go to the US now, he quipped, "What is the use of buying a ticket after the train has left?" **ENS**

CM has outsourced work of collecting commission to agents, says Vijayendra

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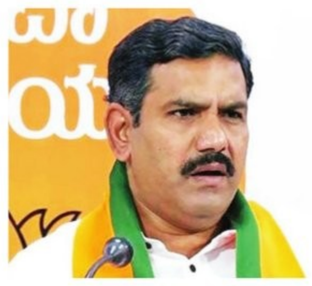
BJP on Tuesday demanded a judicial probe into the allegations made by Congress MLA BR Patil about the allotment of houses by the Housing Department in his constituency, Aland.

Karnataka BJP president **BY Vijayendra** alleged that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has outsourced the work of "collecting commission" to his "agents," and "these agents are running the government".

Speaking to reporters, Vijayendra said that the State Government has opened kiosks at every department to collect commission. "No work can be done without paying money—from Vidhana Soudha Secretariat to gram panchayat offices. The government is



supporting a commission mafia, and Siddaramaiah, who is aware of these developments, is maintaining silence as he has to save his chief minister's chair," he said.

Vijayendra said that the recent statements by a few Congress MLAs have exposed the State Government.

"There is a lot of frustration among Congress leaders over funds. Though the state treasury is being looted, no development is happening. The CM is not saying anything. He has lost control over the administration," he said.

Further, Vijayendra said that B Nagendra resigned after the ST Corporation scam.

Meanwhile, senior BJP MLC CT Ravi said that corruption and Congress are two faces of the same coin. Congress MLA BR Patil's statement exposes corruption, he said.

Ravi said several Congress legislators are facing the wrath of the people of their constituency as they are unable to implement development works. "While some are airing their grievances in public, a few are silent. When Patil made the remark, the chief minister said that he would talk to him... instead, he should have ordered for a judicial probe," Ravi added.

Have DKS brothers' blessings and grants, claims Cong Magadi MLA

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CONGRESS Magadi MLA HC Balakrishna said he has "blessings" of Deputy CM and KPCC President **DK Shivakumar** and former Bengaluru Rural MP DK Suresh, which is why he is satisfied with the grants for his constituency. Asked if others had not got these blessings, Balakrishna said they should get the blessings themselves.

Balakrishna told reporters on Tuesday that they have taken up development work, including road work, and got grants from the Public Works Department, Housing and other departments, besides funds under Corporate Social Responsibility for water RO units and high mast lamps.

When the media asked Balakrishna about MLAs from his party alleging they were not getting grants for development work, he said he would appeal to the minister or district minister concerned, and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah for funds. "In fact, the CM has allocated Rs 50 crore per constituency for development work. This will be released and MLAs can take up work," he said.

Asked about Home Minister G Parameshwara's statement on a lack of funds in the state, Balakrishna said the Central government is yet to pay the state. "If the Centre releases the grants, we can take up more work, this is what he meant," he defended Parameshwara.

On Raju Kage's statement that he would resign as he is not getting grants, Balakrishna said the issue will not be resolved by resigning.

"They have to discuss it with the people concerned, including the CM. Resigning will only result in another election, and nothing will happen. One has to bring this to CM's notice, try to convince him and explain the loopholes," he said.

The CM has allocated Rs 50 crore per constituency for development work. This will be released and MLAs can take up work

Magadi MLA HC Balakrishna

The State Govt is supporting a commission mafia, and Siddaramaiah, who is aware of this, is maintaining silence as he has to save his CM chair

State BJP chief BY Vijayendra

Pro-Kannada activist, supporters detained

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HIGH drama unfolded in front of the official residence of Housing Minister Zameer Ahmed Khan in Bengaluru on Tuesday morning after pro-Kannada activist Rupesh Rajanna along with his supporters had gone to protest against the minister's private secretary, Sarfaraz Khan. BJP on Sunday had accused Sarfaraz of running an illegal resort near Taraka Dam in HD Kote. Sarfaraz in a video had said that everything is legal and he has all the required permission. He had also stated that the minister's name should not be dragged into his personal business dealings. He had also made allegations against Rajanna, accusing him of blackmailing people under the guise of Kannada activism. The police took Rajanna and his team into custody.

Rajanna through his Facebook account had challenged Sarfaraz to prove the allegations. "Please unblock my account. I am coming to your office, please stay there," Rajanna said.

'Many textile industries shut down'

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IN 2009, FKCCI had filed a writ petition before the High Court, challenging the constitutional validity of amendments made to Section 3(1) of the Karnataka Electricity (Taxation on Consumption) Act, 1959. "These amendments had extended levying electricity tax on fixed charges or demand charges which impacted consumers. The court order declared as unconstitutional levying electricity tax on fixed charges and demand charges from 2003-13," Balakrishna said.

Energy expert MG Prabhakar said the government had levied 20 paise per unit on LT consumers and 9% per unit on HT consumers. If this is calculated, it is over Rs 60-100 crore per annum and this amount was collected for 10 years. Consumers are also entitled to get the interest government agencies generated on the amount over the years. Karnataka Textile Mills Association president C Valliappa said due to high electricity tariff charges, many textile industries shut down. The order is a relief, but has come late. Members of various industries associations said they were filing a petition on the government proposal to levy a cess on consumers for the installation of smart meters. "The energy department is discussing with finance department to levy 2% cess on RDPR, UDD, BWSSB and other agencies that owe them around Rs 10,000 crore. As these agencies do not have money, the burden will be passed on to consumers, which is unconstitutional," say industry experts.

An energy official said, "We don't want to comment on the amount. We will go through the order copy which we are yet to receive. The amount to be cleared is also subject to bills the escoms have."

CM Siddaramaiah and actor Aamir Khan exchange pleasantries in New Delhi on Tuesday

Siddu & Co lobby for his continuation as CM

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

EVEN as Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's three-day visit to New Delhi featured meeting with President Draupadi Murmu, and Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, he has also been putting all efforts to get the high command's nod for the cabinet reshuffle and to continue in the top post, said sources.

He, along with his coterie of leaders, including ministers, including his Manfriday Satish Jarkiholi, Dr H C Mahadevappa, and KJ George, the ministerial aspirants Ajay Singh and CM's economic advisor Basavaraj Rayareddy, camped in Delhi. They met AICC General Secretary and Karnataka in charge Randeep Surjewala.

As the LoP in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi is abroad, Siddaramaiah is likely to meet the AICC general secretary KC Venugopal and discuss the political situation on Wednesday. If Venugopal convinced Rahul, Siddaramaiah is likely to reshuffle his cabinet, which will be an indication of the party high command's nod for his continuation as CM, said sources. Siddaramaiah taking George along with him has been termed as a significant move as the latter has a good rapport with the close associates of senior leader Sonia Gandhi, a Congress leader said.

Siddaramaiah is also pushing many of his proposals with the high command, including a change in the KPCC chiefpost, as he wishes Satish as president, giving the Bengaluru development and town planning portfolio to Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara, another source informed *TNIE*.

DyCM and KPCC president DK Shivakumar did not accompany Siddaramaiah to Delhi. Shivakumar, who is aspiring to become CM, is likely to insist on the power transfer-change in the CM post after Siddaramaiah completes two and a half years in the top post after October 2025.

Interestingly, the timing of Siddaramaiah seeking the appointment of PM Narendra Modi sparked speculations in the political circle. The PMO has not confirmed the appointment, and it will be known only on Wednesday, according to a source.

"Siddaramaiah has been elected as CM by the Congress Legislature Party (CLP), and 95% of Congress MLAs are with him. Unless the MLAs wish, there should be a change, and the party high command taking a call, there will be no change in the CM post. You will see how Siddaramaiah will streamline the administration from July", Rayareddy told reporters in New Delhi.

FM agreed to look at tax devolution anomaly: CM

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Tuesday said Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman promised to examine the state's proposals on tax devolution and to look at injustice meted out to the state under the 15th Finance Commission.

Siddaramaiah, after meeting the Finance Minister in Delhi, told reporters that he requested the Union Government adopt a pro-growth approach in tax devolution among states in the 16th Finance Commission. He appealed to Nirmala to include the state's proposals in the Centre's memorandum to the 16th Finance Commission.

Under the 15th Finance Commission, Karnataka's share in tax devolution declined from 4.713% to 3.647%, and the state was also not allocated Rs 11,495 crore in special grants, resulting in a total loss of Rs 80,000 crore during the award period, he CM told her.

"A major reason for this is the over-reliance on the income-distance criterion, which received 45% weightage under the 15th Finance Commission. Karnataka has requested the 16th Finance Commission that the weightage for income-distance should be reduced by 20 percentage points and reallocated to fiscal contribution, which is the state's share in national GDP," he said.

'Horizontal devolution formula'

CM Siddaramaiah also requested to discontinue Revenue Deficit Grants in their current format, as they are against the principles of fiscal discipline as proposed in the FRBM framework. "We have proposed that the same amount — which was 1.92% of Gross Union Receipts under the 15th Finance Commission — should be redistributed among all states using the horizontal devolution formula," he said.

He sought Rs 1.15 lakh crore for Bengaluru and funds for Kalyana-Karnataka and Malnad regions.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah presents a Mysuru peta to President Droupadi Murmu in New Delhi on Tuesday | EXPRESS

I met the Union Finance Minister and informed that Karnataka faced a cumulative loss of over Rs 80,000 crore due to reduction in the state's share of tax devolution by the 15th Finance Commission – Chief Minister Siddaramaiah

SIDDARAMAIAH MEETS PREZ OVER PENDING BILLS

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah called on President Droupadi Murmu about the state's pending proposals with the Centre, and sought assent for seven pending Bills, including The Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements (Amendment) Act, 2025 to provide a 4% quota to minorities in government tenders, which Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot did not approve. The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Karnataka Amendment) Bill, 2015, The Karnataka (Mineral Rights and Mineral Bearing Land) Tax Bill 2024, The Registration (Karnataka Amendment) Bill, 2024, The Notaries (Karnataka Amendment) Bill, 2025, The Registration (Karnataka Amendment) Bill, 2025 and The Karnataka Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowments (Amendment) Act, 2024 are also pending. "I called on the President since seven Bills have not been approved yet. She replied that the Bills were not with her and she had sent them to the departments concerned. I told her to get them and give assent," he told reporters.

Dr G says no funds with govt, later retracts

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KARNATAKA Home Minister **Dr G Parameshwara** has candidly admitted that the State Government is facing financial constraints. "We don't have money. Even Chief Minister Siddaramaiah doesn't have money now. Everything has been given away to you (people) in the form of rice, pulses, oil... even liquor," he said, referring humorously while pointing at Excise Minister RB Timmapur.

Speaking after inaugurating a new building of the Fire and Emergency Services in Badami on Monday, the minister asked the officials and the leaders to prepare a Rs1,000-crore project for the comprehensive development of Badami. "The State Government has no funds, the project should be submitted to the Centre for the development of Badami," he said.

Later, Dr Parameshwara denied the statement stating he never said that the government has no funds. He said that the government has several sources to mobilise funds for the development and claimed that the government has funds, but sometimes, releasing of funds takes time.

Meanwhile, the State BJP has hit out at Dr Parameshwara remarks. Taking to social media, the party accused the Congress government of bankrupting Karnataka through "unscientific" and "vote-bank driven" guarantees. "The very Home Minister has now confessed that the government has no funds to provide grants to MLAs. This is a direct consequence of their irresponsible and unscientific guarantees aimed solely at appeasing minority vote banks," BJP said, adding that the Congress, which came to power on false promises, has pushed the state into a financial crisis. "Their populist schemes have drained the state coffers, leaving nothing for crucial development work or MLA grants," BJP said.

On the growing dissent in the Congress, the BJP pointed to Congress MLA BR Patil's open allegation of corruption in the housing scheme. Another MLA Raju Kage, too, has expressed his frustration over the lack of grants and even threatened to resign, the party recalled.

"MLA Gopalakrishna has lamented the government's inability to provide funds even to construct a basic drain. Now, with the Home Minister admitting there are no funds for development, it is clear that the Congress government is pushing Karnataka into a darkness," the BJP said.

A 16-year-old girl, along with her 19-year-old boyfriend and his younger brother, allegedly murdered her mother at their residence in Jeedimetla, Hyderabad on Monday. The victim, Anjali (39), a single mother, is survived by two daughters

Axiom-4 mission likely to lift off today

Satellite to dock at space station at 4.30 pm IST, astronauts to conduct experiments on AI, biological and material research

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THE much-delayed Axiom-4 mission to the International Space Station (ISS) is finally expected to liftoff at 2.31 am ET (12.01 IST) on Wednesday. Announcing this on Tuesday, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) said a backup opportunity will be available at 2.09 am ET (11.39 am IST) on Thursday.

The targeted docking for the satellite to the International Space Station (ISS) is scheduled for 7 am ET (4.30 pm IST) on Thursday, NASA said.

The NASA, ISRO, Axiom Space and SpaceX are involved in the 14-day manned mission. The mission will carry Indian astronaut Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, who is also the mission pilot. Group Captain Prasanth Balakrishnan Nair is the backup crew member. The duo are part of the four-member team chosen for India's Gaganyaan mission scheduled for 2027. Shukla will be the first Indian astronaut to pilot a spacecraft. The first Indian on space was Rakesh Sharma in 1984, but he did not pilot any spacecraft.

LIVE TELECAST

The launch will be live streamed on the SpaceX and Axiom Space 'X' handle. The Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium will also live stream the launch. There will also be Kannada and English commentary and explanation during the launch by planetarium director BR Guruprasad.

The four astronauts will carry out 60 experiments, seven of which will be by Shukla. The astronauts will undertake experiments from 31 countries, including Saudi Arabia, Brazil, Nigeria, UAE, Hungary, US and Poland.

The mission will lift off from Launch Complex 39A at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The crew will travel to the orbiting laboratory on the SpaceX Dragon spacecraft after launch on the Falcon-9 rocket.

GREEN CONFLICT

Environmental activists, experts lobby against Sharavathi project

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WITH the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) meeting scheduled on Wednesday, some groups are lobbying against the Karnataka government's 2,000MW project in the Sharavathi Lion-Tailed Macaque Wildlife Sanctuary, and a notified eco-sensitive zone (ESZ) in Sharavathi valley.

Those opposing the project include conservationists, experts and officials from the Karnataka forest department and Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC).

Living Earth Foundation (Leaf), an environment advocacy group, has penned a letter to the member secretary of the standing committee for NBWL, pointing out anomalies in the project cleared by the Karnataka State Board for Wildlife (SBWL) on March 4. Leaf said that since the area is a protected ESZ, major hydro projects are prohibited.

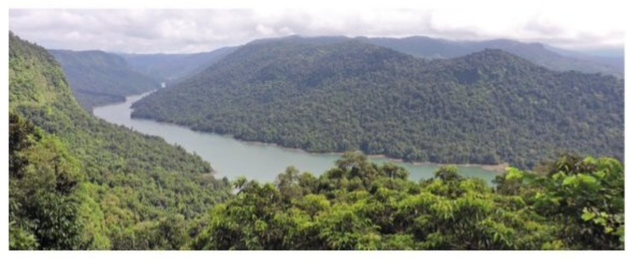
As per schedule 1(c) of the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) notification 2006, hydro power projects above 50MW are classified as A-category projects. "The November 6, 2023, ESZ notification said that establishing a pumped storage hydro power project within a notified ESZ of the wildlife sanctuary to harness 2000MW power is prohibited as per law. Neither SBWL nor NBWL should approve the project," said Sreeja Chakraborty, managing director of Leaf.

The Karnataka energy department is looking to utilise the existing reservoir at Talakalale as the upper reservoir, and Gerusoppa as the lower reservoir. It also sought 52ha (hectares) of forest land and felling of 15,000 trees for the project.

"We are not against development. It is the sensitive location which is a concern. In May 2025, NBWL cleared the proposal to use 1.1479ha of forest land in Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary to lay 33kV of interconnecting underground transmission lines for a 600MW wind project by JSW Renewable Energy Vijayanagar Limited," an SBWL member said.

Energy department officials said: "It is a pumped storage project and not an electricity project. The project uses hydro electricity. Two reservoirs are already present."

"Energy will be used to pump water and electricity will be generated when water flows. The energy department has also sought land to lay electricity lines. The aim is to generate 2000MW power. The proposal also listed that a three-month study was done. But a year-long impact assessment study is needed as power will be generated all year round. NBWL should look into all this as the area is prone to landslides due to the heavy rainfall it receives, and is a sensitive region of the Western Ghats," a legal expert said.



Sharavathi valley | FILE IMAGE

France's Safran to set up MROs for Rafales in Hyd

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French aerospace company Safran has announced plans to establish a new Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) facility in Hyderabad. The facility, Safran Aircraft Engine Services India, will be dedicated exclusively to servicing the M88 military engines used in Dassault Rafale fighter jets.

This will be the first such facility for the M88 engine outside France. The announcement was made by Safran general manager Pierre Fernandez in the presence of IT and Industries Minister D Sridhar Babu during a high-level roundtable organised by the Indo-French Chamber of Commerce & Industry (IFCCI) at the Secretariat on Tuesday.

The facility is expected to create around 150 new jobs by the end of next year, with the possibility of adding a further 750 jobs in later phases.

Safran's Hyderabad operations are set to become a central hub for the production and export of critical components for Rafale engines. Support from the state government has played a role in positioning Hyderabad as a developing aerospace hub. Safran is expanding its operations in Telangana with a major investment in Hyderabad. The company has already established two production facilities in the city.

It saw participation from senior state government officials and a delegation of French business representatives.

FAN FRENZY

Fans celebrate Lionel Messi's birthday by wearing his masks in Kozhikode, Kerala, on Tuesday| E GOKUL

Drunk driver kills man, pregnant daughter in TN

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

A 23-year-old pregnant woman, returning home after her baby shower function, and her 60-year-old father lost their lives after a drunk taxi driver driving on the wrong side of the road rammed his vehicle into the victims' car at Anakaputhur near Tambaram late on Monday.

N Deepika, M Padmanabhan

Police said that M Padmanabhan (60), wife P Indrani (51), and daughter N Deepika (23) were returning home after the function at Ambattur to their residence in Santhosapuram near Medavakkam in a cab driven by Bhuvaneshwaran (23) when tragedy struck them. The couple, who are residents of Madurai, had come to Chennai to organise the baby shower for their daughter and take her to Madurai for delivery.

Adulterated ghee supplied to TTD: CBI to HC

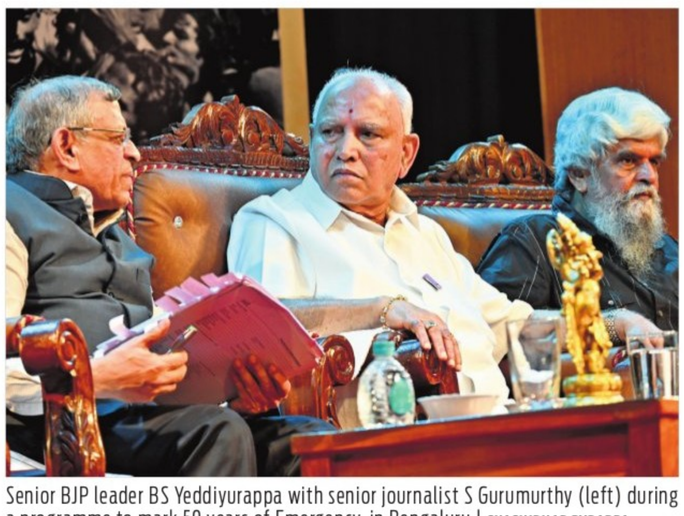
EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Vijayawada

The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on Tuesday informed the Andhra Pradesh High Court that adulterated ghee, misrepresented as cow ghee, was supplied to the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD), and other major temples, including Kanipakam, Srikalahasti, Srisailam, Vijayawada Kanaka Durga, Dwaraka Tirumala, and Penuganchiprolu Tirupathamma, during the YSRCP regime.

CBI counsel PSP Suresh Kumar revealed that palm oil mixed with chemicals to mimic cow ghee's colour and aroma was supplied to the temples. The investigation revealed that Bhole Baba Dairy directors Pomil Jain (A3) and Vipin Jain (A4) profited Rs 240 crore by supplying 60 lakh kg of adulterated ghee through AR Dairy and Vaishnavi Dairy.

Despite lacking capacity, these firms secured TTD contracts using forged documents from Bhole Baba Dairy, which was blacklisted in 2018. The CBI alleged that the TTD officials were bribed, and Rs 3 per litre commission was paid to AR and Vaishnavi dairies. Rejected ghee tankers were resupplied after minimal alterations.

The CBI reported attempts to intimidate witnesses, including an assault on Sanjay Jain at Tirupati airport, and a fraudulent petition filed in accused Ashish Rohilla's name.



Senior BJP leader BS Yeddiyurappa with senior journalist S Gurumurthy (left) during a programme to mark 50 years of Emergency, in Bengaluru | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Indira may have passed on, but Emergency mindset remains: BSY

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE mindset that led to imposition of the Emergency in 1975 is still alive in the Congress party, said BJP Central Parliamentary Board member BS Yediyurappa. "The person (Indira Gandhi) may have passed away, but the mindset of the party (Congress) has not changed even today... We should not forget the dark days of Emergency," he said.

Yediyurappa was speaking at an event titled '50 Years of 1975 Emergency - Dark Days', organised by Citizens for Social Justice, Bengaluru, in the city on Tuesday. Yediyurappa said the sacred Constitution was sacrificed by former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi to continue in power. "Judiciary, executive and the legislature were all held in her tight clutches just for the purpose of continuing in power," he said.

He said the fundamental rights of citizens were taken away, freedom of the press was muzzled, and judiciary robbed of its autonomy during the Emergency. He added that her dictatorial rule aimed solely at retaining power still evokes outrage. Slamming Opposition Leader in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, noted columnist and economic thinker S Gurumurthy in his keynote address said, "Rahul Gandhi was waving the Constitution of India, when PM Narendra Modi took oath in 2024, claiming to be its protector. But it was his grandmother (Indira Gandhi) who destroyed the Constitution, which was revived by the Janata Party, with support from RSS."

He questioned the Congress if it had any moral right to talk about the Constitution, rights and freedom. Gurumurthy said Indira did not become a dictator in a day, and that it began in 1969, when she split the Congress party. A photo exhibition showcasing the role of RSS workers and from various parties was held. A prison replica with an iron gate was put up in front of Town Hall, to reflect the dark days of Emergency.

Madras HC passes split verdict in dargah issue & Thiruparankundram Murugan temple

JEGADEESWARI PANDIAN
@ Madurai

TWO judges of a bench of the Madras High Court delivered a split verdict on Tuesday on the emotive issue of permitting animal sacrifices, prayers, and gatherings at the Sikandar Badusha Avuliya Dargah, revered by Muslims, located on the Thiruparankundram Hill in Madurai. The hill is also home to the Thiruparankundram Murugan Temple, one of the six *Aarupadaiveedu* (sacred abodes) of Lord Murugan. The matter has now been placed before the Chief Justice of the HC for appropriate orders.

The bench comprising Justices J Nisha Banu and S Srimathy was hearing a batch of six petitions. While three petitions sought prohibition of animal sacrifice and prayers or other gatherings, two wanted directions for peaceful administration of the dargah and basic amenities like road, lights, and the sixth one wanted the hill to be declared as 'Samanar Kundru' (Jain hill).

The judges agreed that the hill's name should not be changed and no direction can be issued to pave road, construct toilets, drinking water pipelines, erecting electricity poles, etc. as it would damage the hill. But they dissented on other aspects, such as permitting gatherings and animal sacrifice.

The Thiruparankundram Murugan Temple in Madurai | EXPRESS

Dismissing all six petitions, Justice Banu recalled that the civil courts have recognised the rights of both the temple and the dargah. "Since the matter has attained finality, I don't want to interfere with the same to preserve interfaith peace and amity, safeguarding secular coexistence, and to uphold the spirit of religious tolerance," the judge said.

Prosecution plaint against Aishwarya Gowda, 17 others

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@ Bengaluru

THE Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Bengaluru, filed a prosecution complaint against alleged conwoman Aishwarya Gowda and 17 other accused under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, last Saturday, before the Special Court (PMLA), Bengaluru, over their alleged involvement in defrauding and cheating several individuals by taking gold, cash and funds through bank accounts from them, promising high returns. It may be recalled that the ED on Thursday had provisionally attached properties worth around Rs 3.98 crore in the form of flats, constructed buildings, and land -- valued at around Rs 2.01 crore, and movable properties in the form of cash and vehicle worth Rs 1.97 crore, under the PMLA, 2002.

BIS BENGALURU CONDUCTS 'MANAK SAMVAD'

Bengaluru: The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Bengaluru Branch Office, conducted the 'Manak Samvad' programme to guide newly granted BIS licence-holders in understanding key operational, procedural, and compliance-related aspects of their certification. K Rajashekhar, Scientist-D and Joint Director, BIS Bengaluru, emphasised the importance of being well-versed in the BIS certification framework and explained that the Manak Samvad platform serves as an essential bridge between BIS and its licensees, offering clarity and guidance for effective implementation of licensing terms. An overview of BIS operations and certification processes was presented, covering conditions of licence, lawful use of the Standard Mark, recent updates in operational guidelines, and compliance aspects such as timely submission of test reports, preparation for inspections, and effective use of BIS online portals. Narender Reddy Beesu, Scientist-E and Director, BIS Bengaluru, oversaw the distribution of certificates, licence documents, and endorsements to the new licensees.

CRIME PATROL

2 held for murder, prime accused on the run

Bengaluru: The Bandepalya police have arrested two people for the murder of a 30-year-old painter from Uttar Pradesh after the autopsy report revealed that the death was due to assault. The deceased is Shailesh Yadav. While two accused, Satish and Arun Yadav, have been arrested, prime accused Birendra Yadav is absconding. All are in their 30s and hail from Uttar Pradesh. The incident took place on June 18 and the body was left in the house for two days. Satish had told the house owner that Yadav was not breathing. As there were no visible external injuries, the police initially registered a case of unnatural death. However, the autopsy report stated that Shailesh had died due to injuries sustained from an assault to his head and face. During the preliminary investigation, police found that Birendra was allegedly having an illicit affair with his sister-in-law. Shailesh knew this and revealed it to others, which irked Birendra, who plotted to kill the former with the two others.

Constables accused of receiving ₹37,000 bribe

Bengaluru: Two police constables from Indiranagar police station have been accused of extorting Rs 37,000 from a man. According to a post on X shared by a user named St Broseph, the two constables extorted Rs 37,000 when the victim allegedly had done nothing wrong. "No FIR has been filed by the police, only a departmental enquiry has been initiated. Threat calls are being made," the post claimed. A senior police officer told *TNIE* that a complaint had been received and a preliminary enquiry had been initiated. Two beat constables attached to Indiranagar police station were involved in the incident, the officer said. The post further explained that the incident took place on 100 Feet Road in Indiranagar on June 14. The constables performed a vexatious search of the man's pockets and belongings while he was waiting for an auto-rickshaw. They threatened him with a drug test and arrest in a non-bailable case, saying it would cost lakhs to get out of it. According to the post, the constables forced the man to reveal his bank balances.

THE BRAITHWAITE BURN AND JESSOP CONSTRUCTION COMPANY LIMITED

(A Government of India Enterprise)

Regd. Off.: 27, Rajendra Nath Mukherjee Road, Kolkata - 700 001 Phone No. (033) 2248-5841-44; E-Mail: info.bbjconst@bbjconst.com; Website: www.bbjconst.com

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDERS

e-Tenders are invited, UNDER THE TWO-BID SYSTEM, from reputed Agency(ies) towards **Modernization of Gubbi Railway Station of Amrit Bhart Station Scheme under Chief Project Manager, Gati Shakti, Bengaluru Division, South Western Railway**.

e-Tender No.: eNIT/GS-ABSS/GUBBI/691/T-11-2025 Dated 25-June-2025.

Tender documents may be downloaded from https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app and/or www.bbjconst.com (**Tender ID: 2025_BBJC_865956_1**). Sealed e-Bids (Two-Cover System) can be uploaded in e-procurement portal up to 15:00 hrs. on or before **05-July-2025** and opening of e-Tenders (Technical) will be on 07-July-2025 at 15:00 hrs. "Corrigendum", if any, would appear only on the BBJ's website & e-Procurement portal and not to be published in any newspaper.

TENDER NOTICE / டெண்டர் அறிவிப்பு

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF TAMIL NADU, Thiruvarur invites the Tender for

Dismantling of Existing Damaged walls, R.C.C flooring works and Aluminium Partitioning works in Venkatraman Ramakrishnan Block (Dept. of Chemistry Building) at CUTN Campus, Thiruvarur.

Tender Ref. No.:	Last date & Time:
CUTN/ENGG/CVL/Tender/2025-26/04	Please see the CUTN website https://cutn.ac.in/tenders/

Note: For more details please see the CUTN website www.cutn.ac.in and CPP portal.

Sd/-
REGISTRAR

RAIL COACH FACTORY, KAPURTHALA

PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India invites On-line bids for following items:-

Sr. No.	Tender No. & Due Date	Description	Qty. (Nos./Sets)	EMD (₹)
1.	12231399D 17/07/2025	Non AC area ceiling arrgt. for LHB AC 3 Tier Coaches	100 Nos.	3,52,160/-
2.	13245237C 16/07/2025	Fork Lifter Truck 16 Ton	01 Nos.	2,21,130/-
3.	17241631B 15/07/2025	Set of Seats and Berths for LHB SCN Coaches	100 Set	16,10,010/-
		Set of Seats and Berths for LHB AC 3T Coaches	50 Set	
4.	01251204 22/07/2025	Failure Indication Cum Brake Application Device	2345 Set	20,00,000/-
5.	01251225 05/08/2025	Bogie Frame arrangement for 1600 HP AC-AC DMU/DPC Coaches	166 Nos.	20,00,000/-
		Bogie Frame Arrangement for EMU Trailer Coaches with 180/150 KN Air Spring	483 Nos.	
6.	02251308 21/07/2025	End Fittings (05 Types)	31745 Nos.	52,890/-
7.	02251310 04/08/2025	Tube Clamps (05 Types)	106354 Nos.	52,440/-
8.	02251264 28/07/2025	LED Light Fitting for LHB Coaches (Seven Types)	47874 Nos.	9,36,210/-
9.	02251274 21/07/2025	Set of LED Light Fitting	102 Sets	1,28,060/-
10.	02251304 21/07/2025	External Emergency Light for Amrit Bharat Rake	699 Sets	6,50,200/-
		LED Light Fitting (9W) for Amrit Bharat Rake	8941 Nos.	

1. For details and making On-line tenders, visit Website **http://ireps.gov.in.** Drawings/ specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF Website **http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in.** Class IIIb digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at **http://www.cce.gov.in.** 2. Tenders will close at 14.25 Hrs. on due date and will be opened at 14.30 Hrs. Tenders Sr. No. 1 to 3 will be opened at RCF Kapurthala and Sr. No. 4 to 10 will be opened at Tilak Bridge, New Delhi. 3. For queries, contact IREPS Helpdesk at 011-24102855, 011-24105180 or RCF helpdesk at 011-23378658.
Note: GST Number of RCF is 03AAAGM0289C1ZT. All the suppliers are advised to quote this in dispatch documents for the supplies made by them.

PCMM

CORRIGENDUM

The following amendment is authorized against **(1)** Tender No. **13255159** due on 24.06.2025 for procurement of **Battery operated Rail cum Road Vehicle Cap 300 Ton**. Due date to be read as 09.07.2025 instead of 24.06.2025 **(2)** Tender No. **13245381A** due on 20.06.2025 for procurement of **Optical Emission Spectrometer for Testing of Safety Critical items as per Spec. No. Mech/M/Umbrella Project/438/22.** Due date to be read as 27.06.2025 instead of 20.06.2025. **(3)** Tender No. **12251159** due on 18.06.2025 for the procurement of **Fixing Arrangement of Water Tank Flaps.** Due date to be read as 30.07.2025 instead of 18.06.2025. **(4)** Tender No. **14251077** due date to be read as 11.07.2025 instead of 20.06.2025. **(5)** Tender No. **17251160** due on 26.06.2025 for the **Supply of Floor End Profile, L= 2000 MM.** Due date to be read as 11.07.2025 instead of 26.06.2025. **(6)** Tender No. **17251171** due on 20.06.2025 for the procurement of **Stainless Steel Step Complete.** Due date to be read as 08.07.2025 instead of 20.06.2025. **(7)** Tender No. **02251137** for **Tray Arrangement.** Due date to be read as 23.06.2025 instead of 17.06.2025. **(8)** Tender No. **17251143** due on 27.06.2025 for the **Supply of Cable Tray L = 3 M.** Due date to be read as 14.07.2025 instead of 27.06.2025. **(9)** Tender No. **17251132** Due date to be read as 09.07.2025 instead of 24.06.2025. **(10)** Tender No. **17251204** Due date to be read as 14.07.2025 instead of 27.06.2025. **(11)** Tender No. **17251211** Due date to be read as 11.07.2025 instead of 26.06.2025. **(12)** Tender No. **14251082** due date 26.06.2025 regarding eligibility criteria: **Eligibility criteria has been revised.**

All other terms and conditions will remain the same.

PCMM

R.O. No.: 37-S/2025-26 **Dated: 24.06.2025**

Karnataka State Police Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

#59, Richmond Road, (Gen. K S Thimmaiah Road) Bengaluru-25
Phone: 080-25584102/25594893
e-Mail: eecontractksphc@gmail.com | Website: www.ksphc.org

No.EE/KSPH&IDCL/CNT/TND/04/2025-26/83 **Dated: 23.06.2025**

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER

KSPH & IDCL invites online tender as per KTPP 2000 Act & as per Standard Tender Document through KPPP **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the below works (PMC):

Name of works: Providing Project Management Consultancy Services including Supervision, Quality Assurance, Progress Monitoring/Reporting, Measurement, Billing and Documentation for the Works of 'Construction of Pre & Post-Metric Hostel Buildings for Girls & Boys at various locations in (under Kalyana Karnataka Area) Koppal, Vijayanagara, Ballari, Raichur, Bidar, Kalaburagi & Yadagiri Districts (Assisted by Backward Class Welfare Dept. & Kalyana Karnataka Area Development Board) for Package No.1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

Interested Consultants / Firms who are having Specific Experience in Project Monitoring Services and having required infrastructure as well as financial capabilities to undertake such services may participate in the tender process. The details such as Tender fee, EMD, Tender documents etc., are available on KPP Portal from 25.06.2025 onwards.

"KSPH & IDCL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning any reasons."

Note: Henceforth any changes / modifications in the tender will be updated only on KPPP.

Sd/-
DIPR/CP/1431/CCL/2025-26 **Executive Engineer-Contracts**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No:EEE/PROJECTS/BDR/AEE/2025-26/196-98 **Date: 19.06.2025**

NOTIFICATION

The Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited has formulated a scheme under Section 67 (2)(C) of the **Electricity Supply Act 2003** and the scheme is herewith published in pursuance of Section 67(2) of the said act, this notification is issued for information of the license holders and any other concerned persons, Particulars of the scheme are as here under.

1) Name of the Work: Establishment of 2x20MVA, 110/11kV Sub-station at Chitta (Goranalli) along with construction of 110kV LILO line to proposed 110kV Chitta Sub-station from existing 110kV Kamatana - Habsikote line for a distance of 1.258 kms in Bidar taluk & District.

2) Salient Features: The existing network will be strengthened, future load can be catered and interruption time will be minimized.

3) Areas Passing through: Goranalli, Bagagoranalli, Mahalathe Goranalli & Bagashahi.

4) Approximate cost: 2253.52 Lakhs.

Note: The line is passing through the following Survey Numbers:

Hobli: Bidar Dakshina, **Taluk:** Bidar, **District:** Bidar

Sl.No.	Tower Nos.	Survey Nos.	Village
1.	T.No.1 to T.No.2	52/1	Goranalli
		10	Bagagoranalli
		55	Goranalli
2.	T.No.2 to T.No.3	55	
		54/2, 52/7	Mahalathe Goranalli
3.	T.No.3 to T.No.4	4/1	
		4, 5	Bagagoranalli
4.	T.No.4 to T.No.5	5	
		2	Mahalathe Goranalli
5.	T.No.5 to T.No.6	2, 1/2, 1/4	
		26/2	Goranalli
6.	T.No.6 to T.No.7	26/8	
7.	T.No.7 to T.No.8	26/8, 25/7	
8.	T.No.8 to T.No.9	25/7, 24	
9.	T.No.9 to Bay	24	
10.	Ext. T.No.12 to T.No.10	48, 47, 52/5, 52/4 52/3	Goranalli
11.	T.No.10 to T.No.1	52/3, 52/2, 52/1	
12.	T.No.1 to Ext. T.No.14	52/1	
		2, 3	Bagashahi

KPTCL, shall have and exercise all powers which the Telegraphs Authorities possess under part (III) of **Indian Telegraph Act, 1885**, (13 of 1885) for implementation of the above said scheme. Any objections regarding the above scheme shall be sent to the **Executive Engineer (Ele), Projects Division, KPTCL, Bidar** within **15 days** from the date of publication of this notification for KPTCL's pursuance.

Sd/- Éxecutive Engineer, (Ele.,)
Project Division, KPTCL, Bidar

SHIVAMOGGA CITY CORPORATION, SHIVAMOGGA

ಕ್ರಮಾಂಕ: ಶಿಮನಪಾಶಿ:ಕಾ.ಅ:ವಿದ್ಯುತ್:ಡಿ:ಎಂ/ಸಿ.ಆರ್:05/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23.06.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e- Procurement portal)

Tenders have been invited in Single-cover system through e-procurement portal as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 procedure from eligible Electrical contractors as specified in tender documents for undertaking 04 Nos of works (Sl No. 02 to 05) under Corporation's General Grants for the year 2025-26 and 01 work under Railway Department Grants (Sl No.01), total 05 works in the limits of Shivamogga City Corporation. The bidders who are interested in participating through e-procurement tender can obtain the details in website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Details of Scheduled Dates:Short-term Tender: **1.** Last date for submission of tender through e-procurement portal along with e-payment : **30.06.2025 upto 05.30 P M, 2.** Date of opening of tender through e-procurement portal : **01.07.2025 at 11.00 A M.**

Sl. No.	Details of works	Approx. amount (Rs in lakhs)	EMD amount (In Rs)	Contract period (including rainy season)	Class of Contractors
	Railway Department Grants				
1	The work of relocating MESCOM power lines and street lights in connection with the development of Akkamahadevi Circle being implemented by the Savalanga Road Railway Department in the limits of Shivamogga City Corporation Ward No. 10. (DMA/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT43107)	42.83	86500.00	6 Months	LEC Class I
	Corporation's General Grants for 2025-26				
2	Works of installation of electrical street lights to the road from Ward No. 05 Purale Village to Subbaiah Collage. (DMA/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT43114)	46.00	93500.00	3 Months	LEC Class III and Above
3	Works of installation of electrical street lights to the road from the end of flyover in Ward No. 05 Siddeshwara Nagara to Purale Circle. (DMA/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT43116)	49.00	102500.00	3 Months	LEC Class III and Above
4	Works of installation of high-mast electrical lights in the park at the beginning of the main road at Ward No. 02, Keerthi Nagara in Shivamogga City Corporation limits. (DMA/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT43109)	1.61	3400.00	3 Months	LEC Class III and Above
5	Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, Operation, Maintenance and Support of Biometric Based Attendance System (BAS) in the Main Office and Zonal Offices of Shivamogga City Corporation (DMA/2025-26/SE5494/CALL 2)	5.50	11600.00	26 Months	As per bid Document

Note: Any changes/corrigendum pertaining to this tender will be published in e-procurement portal only.

Sd/-
DIPR/SMG/No-102-06/zenkar/2025-26 **Executive Engineer, Electric Division, City Corporation, Shivamogga**

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH
249/3RT, 1st Floor, Main Road,
S.R. Nagar, Hyderabad 500 038 (T.S.)
Mail id: ubin0556009@unionbankofindia.bank

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, # 249/3RT, 1st Floor, Main Road, S.R. Nagar, Hyderabad-500038.** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **27.01.2025** calling upon the Borrowers/Guarantor, **(1) The Brew Cafe Represented by Partners, Mr. Sundeep Bollineni, Mr. Raj Kumar Medhi**, D.No. 8-2-229/82/A/473, Nakshatra, Plot No. 473, Road NO.36, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad-500033. **(2) Partner: Mr. RajKumar Medhi** S/o Pradip Medhi, H.No. 8-2-603/30/8/A, Road No.10 Banjara Hills, Hyderabad-500034. **(3) Partner/Mortgagor: Mr. Sundeep Bollineni (Address 1)** S/o Sri Bollineni Narasimha Rao, **(4) Guarantor: Smt. Padmini Bollineni (Address 1)** W/o Sri Bollineni Narasimha Rao, **Both are residing at:** Flat No. 102, Krushi Apartments, 2nd Lane, Newar electricity Office, Pai Layout, Old Madras Road, Bangalore, Karnataka-560016. **Also at: (Address 2)** Flat No.503, Mantri Celestia A Block, Gachi bowli Opp. ICICI TOWERS, Hyderabad. **Also at: (Address 3)** Flat No. 701 and 801, Block C-2 Adiktya Sunshine, Shilpa Park, Kondapur, Hyderabad - 500084. **Also at: (Address 4)** Flat No. 604, G-22, Sandeep Vihar, Kadugudi, Whitefield, Bangalore, Karnataka State-560067. **Also at: (Address 5)** Site No.10, HLV No.1280, Khata No.185/6/130/1, BBMP "B" Khata S.No.307, Kowdenhalli, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Karnataka-560016. to repay the dues mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 77,74,908/- (Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eight Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **24th Day of June 2025.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs. 83,45,239.16 (Rupees Eighty Three Lakhs Forty Five Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Nine and Sixteen Paise Only)** as on **31.05.2025** and interest/Cost/Expenses thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the immovable Property

All that Part and Parcel of Residential House property constructed on bearing Site and No. 10, HLV K No. 1280, Katha No. 185/6/130/1, BBMP 'B' Khatha Sl. No. 307 Situated at Kowdenhalli, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk comes under administrative limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Limits measuring East to West: 45FT, North to South: 30 Ft, Measuring in all 1350 Sqft together with all rights appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface belongs to Mr. Sundeep Bollineni as per Sale deed no and bounded thereon: East By: Private Property, West By: 25 Ft Road, North By: Site No. 9, South By: Site No. 11. Gift Deed: 07662/2017-2018, Dated 30-08-2017, SRO: Shivaji Nagara (Banasavadi), Bangaluru.

Date: 24.06.2025 **Sd/- Chief Maneger/Authorised Officer**
Place: Hyderabad **Union Bank of India**
Asset Recovery Branch

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI

Bengaluru Zone: RPC LAYOUT BRANCH
#46,5th Main RPC Layout, Bangalore 560040
Tel: 080-22959517, 22959516,
Email: RpcLayout.Bengaluru@bankofindia.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

To,

1. Mrs. Gowri B & Mr. Vinaykumar V, No.688, 5th Main, Ramanjaneya Road, Srinagar, Bangalore, 560050

Also available at

2. Mrs. Gowri B & Mr. Vinaykumar V, No.130/1, 3rd Main, Kasturba Nagar, Pipeline West, Karthimanapalli, Bangalore 560040.

Sir / Madam,

NOTICE U/S 13 (2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS & ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

1. At the request made by you, the Bank has granted to you various credit facilities aggregating to an amount of Rs.39,20,000/-. We give hereunder details of various credit facilities granted by us and the outstanding dues there under as on the date of this notice: f various credit facilities granted by us and the outstanding dues thereunder as on the date of this notice:-

Nature of Facility	Sanctioned Limit	Outstanding Dues
Home loan A/c Number: 842375110000260	Rs.39,20,000/-	Rs.42,02,741.91

2. The aforesaid credit facilities granted by the Bank are secured by the following assets/securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank).

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES: Location of the Property: All the piece of parcel of the Immovable residential property bearing No.130, presently with new Muncipal No. 130/1 situated at Kasturbanagar, Pipeline West, previously Karithimmanahalli, presently within the jurisdiction of BBMP with PID No.41-4-130/1 within ward 41 of BBMP measuring East to West: 15 ft. and North to South: 50 Ft. totally measuring 750 Sq. Ft. of site along with a house consisting of ground, first and second floor and same is bounded on East: Remaining eastern portion of the property, West: Private property, North: Property No.117, South: 20 feet road

3. As you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank under the said credit facilities, we have classified your account as Non-Performing Asset with effect from date:30-04-2025 in accordance with the directions/guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.

4. For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities by paying to the Bank sum of Rs.42,02,741.91/- (Rupees Forty Two lakhs Two thousand Seven Hundred and Forty one and Ninety One paisa) in your home loan account @10.30% P.A from dated: 30-04-2025 along with further interest at contractual interest thereon compounded with monthly rests and all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank, till repayment by you within a period of 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which please note that we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise the powers vested with the Bank under Section13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, against the secured assets mentioned above.

5. While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Banks together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redeem the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of Secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.

6. The amounts realised from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payments of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/ or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice till the date of actual realisation and the residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your other dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) are fully recovered, shall be paid to you.

7. If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realised in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other Assets including by filing legal/recovery actions before Debts Recovery Tribunal/Courts for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.

8. Please take note that as per Sub-Section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift mortgage or otherwise.

9. The undersigned is a duly Authorised Officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under section 13 of the aforesaid Act.

10. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

Place : Bangalore **(Sd/-) Authorized Officer,**
Date : 19.05.2025 **Bank of India**

UNION BANK OF INDIA

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Yelahanka Branch, No.99, HIG, Sector A, 1st Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore North, Karnataka-560064.
Phone-+91-8369854320, ubin0554324@unionbankofindia.bank

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 30 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of **Union Bank of India (secured Creditor)** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: 1(a) Mr Azeem Shariff Alias Azeemullah Shariff S/o Sulemanshariff, **1(b) Mrs Mubeen Taj** W/o Azeem Shariff, **Both are residing at:** # 29/1, 9th A Main Road, Padrayanpura, Near BBMP Hospital, Bengaluru-560026. **Also At :** #47, 7th Main, Padrayanpura, Govt Electricity Factory, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru - 560026.

Amount due: Rs.8,50,554.38 (Rupees Eight Lakh Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Four and Paise Thirty Eight Only) as on **31.10.2024** and future interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assests to be sold : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Municipal No. 29/1, Old Municipal No.12, PID No. 44-4-29/1 situated at 9th Main Road, Padrayanpura, within BBMP limits, Ward No.44, Bengaluru – 560026 measuring East to West 15 Feet and North to South 44 Feet, totally 660 Square Feet and bounded on the: East by : Site No.11, West by : Site No. 13, North by : Road, South by : Conservancy Lane.

Reserve Price : Rs. 59,67,000/- EMD : Rs.5,96,700/- (10% of Reserve Price)
Date and time of E-Auction: 30-07.2025 from 12:00 PM to 05:00 P.M (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions) Last date for submission of EMD : On or before the commencement of e-auction, E-auction website: https://baanknet.com

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://baanknet.com (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**
The intending purchaser require to register through : **https://baanknet.com**
The online E-auction will be held through website: **https://baanknet.com**
For auction related queries: e-mail to ubin0554324@unionbankofindia.bank or contact Branch Manager, Union Bank of India, Yelahanka Branch, Manager, Mr. Janki Raman on mobile phone No. 7549001525.

Date: 24.06.2025 **Sd/- Chief Manager / Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Union Bank of India.**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government of India Undertaking)

Chandapura Circle Branch [1065]
140, Hosur Road Chandapura Circle, Anekal Road, Bengaluru-560081.
Email:cb1065@canarabank.com

DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)] TO BORROWER/GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

'We, **Canara Bank, Chandapura Circle Branch [1065],** had issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledged and returned due to non-availability of addressees at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: (1) M/S Sri Sai Industries, #53/2, Eerappa Reddy Layout, Parappana Agrahara, Electronic City, Bangalore-560100. **(2) Mr. Purushotham.G,** S/o Damodara Naidu, Sai Balaji Elegance No.28, Flat No.105, Parappana Agrahara, Electronic City Post Begur Hobli, Bengaluru-560100.

Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the borrower

Sl. No	Loan Number Nature of loan limit	Date of Sanction	Sanctioned Amount	Liability with interest as on Date	Rate of Interest at % Per Annum (Inclusive of Penal Interest at 2%)
1	1065256005198 OD/OCC	08.11.2019	Rs. 10,00,000/-	Rs. 10,12,054/-	11.40
2	1065755000007 GECL	10.06.2020	Rs. 12,00,000/-	Rs. 1,79,681.45	9.25
3	1065766000016 MSME	05.10.2019	Rs. 53,00,000/-	Rs. 27,20,216.92	10.75
4	170002198217 GECL 3.0 Extension	19.11.2021	Rs. 7,00,000/-	Rs. 1,55,787.97	9.25
Total			Rs. 82,00,000/-	Rs. 40,67,740.34	

Total Liability Amount: Rs.40,67,740.34 (Rupees Forty Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty and Paisa Thirty Four Only) together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date:11.06.2025 **Demand Notice Dated: 24.06.2025**

Name of the title holder: M/s Sri Sai Industries, Proprietor: Mr. Purushotham G

Details of Movable Security Assets: Hypothecation of Plant and Machinery

Sl. No	Type of Machinery/ equipment	Supplier Name	Quantity	Estimated cost as per quotation Rs.in Lakhs	Invoice no and Date
1	ACE CNC LATHE MODEL-J400XL	Sri Venkateshwara Engineering	1	17,81,800	1822202996 date:19.10.2019
2	ACE CNC LATHE MODEL-J400XL		1	17,81,800	1822202990 Date:19.10.2019
3	Dx200 3B CNC LATHE		1	17,81,800	1822202958 Date: 9.09.2019
4	Dx200 3B CNC LATHE		1	17,81,800	1822202957 Date: 9.09.2019

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower / Guarantors / Mortgager including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section 13(2) of the said Act.

Date : 24.06.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

UCO BANK (A Govt. of India Undertaking)

KENGERI BRANCH (0297), Opp. Kengeri Police Station, KET Campus, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560060.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF E-AUCTION SALE (for immovable properties)

(In terms of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act 2002)

Whereas the Authorised Officer of the Bank has issued a Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act 2002 and there after in exercise of powers under Section 13(12) of SARFAESI Act 2002 has taken possession of properties mortgaged to Bank under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act 2002. The undersigned in the capacity of Authorised Officer has decided for sale of the following properties to public by **E-auction** and invite bids from the intending purchasers for purchase of the immovable properties mentioned hereunder on **"AS IS WHERE IS & AS IS WHAT IS"** basis.

Name & Address of Borrower's / Guarantor.	a) Date of Demand Notice b) Date of Symbolic Possession c) Present outstanding dues	a) Date & Time for inspection of the property b) bid submission last date c) Date & Time of E-Auction	a) Reserve Price b) EMD Amount c) Bid Increase Amount
Mr. Vinod H S/o. Hobalaiah T, No. 66, Khata No. 389, 1st Main Ramohalli Colony, Dodda Aladamara Road Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-560060. **Mr Hobalaiah T S/o Thammiah,** No.66, Khata No. 389, 1st Main Ramohalli Colony, Dodda Aladamara Road, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-560060. **Name & Address of Guarantor: Mr Charan Raj H,** No. 66, Khata No. 389, 1st Main Ramohalli Colony, Dodda Aladamara Road Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-560060. **Mrs Nagamma V,** No. 66, Khata No. 389, 1st Main Ramohalli Colony, Dodda Aladamara Road Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-560060. **Mr Pavitra H,** No. 66, Khata No. 389, 1st Main Ramohalli Colony, Dodda Aladamara Road Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore-560060. **Mr Kantharaju V P,** No. 14 Rajanatha Bhavana, 1st main Road, Hampinagara, Vijaynagar 2nd stage, Bangalore-560104.	a) **16.04.2024** b) **18.06.2024** c) **Rs. 25,75,159.51 plus interest and other charges from 30.11.2023**	a) **17.07.2025 Between 10.00 am to 5.00 pm** b) **As per Baanknet guidelines** c) **18.07.2025 between 11.00 am to 05.00 pm**	a) **Rs.59,00,000/-** b) **Rs.5,90,000/-** c) **Rs.25,000/-**

Description of Immovable Property : Door No. 66, Assessment No.389, Khata No. 389, V P Khata No. 389/389/389, 1st main, Ramohalli Colony, Dodda Aladamara Road, rmohalli Vilage, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru-560060. **Boundaries of schedule of the property :** East: Road, West: Road, North: Conservancy & Door No. 65, South: Conservancy & Door No. 67

A/C No. 02970210000472, IFSC Code : UCBA0000297, UCO Bank, Kengeri Branch, Bangalore.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1) Sale shall be subjected to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002. Detailed terms and Conditions of the sale is available/ Published inthe following websites/ Web Portal:**https://baanknet.com/education-psb/home**
2) The Properties are being sold on **"As is Where is Basis" and "As is What is Basis" and" Whatever There is Basis"**
3) The Particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorized Officers, but the Authorized Officer shall not beanswerable for any error, misstatement or Omission in this proclamation.
4) The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the **website.https://baanknet.com/education-psb/home on date 18.07.2025 between 11:00 A.M. to 05:00 P.M.**
5) It is open to the Bank to appoint a representative and make self-bid and participate in the auction. 6) The final decision is vested with Authorised Officer.

Date: 25.06.2025, Place: Bengaluru **Authorised Officer, UCO Bank**

IN THE COURT OF THE HON BLE III ADDL, PRINCIPAL JUDGE FAMILY COURT AT BENGALURU

M.C. No.5364/2018

BETWEEN: Sri. Elangovan ... PETITIONER

AND: Smt. Renuka ... RESPONDENT

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT

Smt. Renuka, D/o. Late Govindaraj, No. 1383, K. Muniswamy Lane, K.G. Halli, Bengaluru-560045.

Whereas, the petitioner has filed the above petition against you for the relief of judgment and decree of divorce dissolving the marriage between you and Petitioner dated: 18/03/2011 at Sri. Subramanya Swamy temple, F.M. Kariyappa Road, OPP. To mayohall, Ashok Nagar, Bengaluru-560025, and Registered at Shivajinagar Sub-Registrar office as marriage No. SHV-HM-224-2010-2011 dated: 19/03/2011 and such other relief, in which you are arranged as a Respondent, hence you are hereby summoned to appear before the court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on **20-08-2025** at 11:00 AM to answer the same. Failing which the matter will be disposed off in your absence by placing you ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 11-06-2025 at Bengaluru.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, Family Court, Bangalore.

K.V. SHIVA REDDY, Advocate
122/1, Behind Hotel Annapurna, 6th Cross, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560009.
Mob:9448250049

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public at large are hereby informed that, my client have negotiated and agreed to purchase the Schedule Property described herein below mentioned property, from M/s NSD Partners, (1) Mr. Niranjan M M, Son of Sri. Mallikarjunaiah Bukkasagara Matha Mallapura, (2) Mr. Dharmendra Singh Rana, Son of Sri. Bhag Singh Rana, M/s JMC & CO Partners (1) N. Madhavi kumari Wife of Mr. Pasumarthi Vamsy Krishna, (2) Mr. Ramana Mohan Rao Dasari Son of Ramanaiah, and M/S SV Ventures Partner Mr. J. Venkata Kumara Reddy Son of J. Rama Subba Reddy. As such any person/s/Company/Bank/institution having any claim whatsoever over the schedule property are hereby called upon to file their objections, claims along with supporting documents to the below mentioned address within 5 days from the date of this notification. If no objections/claims are received within the above said period my client shall proceed to conclude the sale transaction as if there are no objections or claims whatsoever and my client shall be considered as bona fide purchaser of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the converted property bearing old Survey No.40/1, after phodi assigned as New Survey No.40/18 situated at Ajjagondanahalli Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, vide conversion order bearing No.744561, Dated 29-03-2025, issued by Deputy Commissioner Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore, in the names of M/s NSD Partners rep by its Partner Mr. Niranjan M. M, Son of Mallikarjunaiah Bukkasagara Matha Mallapura and another, M/s JMC & Co Rep by its Partners Mrs. N. Madhavikumari Daughter of Narkedamilli Venkata Subbarao and another and M/s SV Ventures rep by its Partners Mr. J. Venkata Kumara Reddy Son of Sri. J. Rama Subba Reddy, measuring 0.09 Guntas and bounded on the: **East by :** Survey No.40/8 property, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Survey No.40/19 Property, **South by :** Survey No.40/2 & Survey No.40/4.

SRI. G. V. ANJANEYA GOWDA
ADVOCATE & CONSULTANT
#250, White city Layout, Seegehalli Village, Bangalore-560049. Mobile No.9900716419

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our client intends to purchase the property mentioned in the Schedule below and hereinafter referred to as the Schedule Property from its owners Mr. Vivek S. and Mr. Vikram S.

Any person/s having any claim in respect of the Schedule Property by way of sale, exchange, gift, mortgage, charge, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien or otherwise howsoever is requested to inform the same in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date of this notice, failing which, the claim or claims, if any, of such person/s will be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and the transfer shall be completed.

Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel of immovable property along with structures bearing Municipal Nos. 14 (EPID No. 2202915679) (Old No. 10-E) (PID No. 80-1-14), No. 15, (EPID No. 5704741705) (Old No. 10-D) (PID No. 80-1-15), No. 16, (EPID No. 6658974437) (Old No. 10-C) (PID No. 80-1-16), No. 17, (EPID No. 9778672977) (Old No. 10-B) (PID No. 80-1-17) and No. 18, (EPID No. 4210431245) (Old No. 10-A) (PID No. 80-1-18), all situated at St. John's Church Road, Civil Station, Bangalore, measuring East to West – On the Northern Side 46 Feet 7 inches and on the Southern Side 50 Feet 3 inches and North to South - On the Eastern Side 63 Feet and on the Western Side 58 Feet, totally measuring approximately 2929.10 sq. ft. or 272.22 sq. mtrs., and bounded on the

East by : Private Property
West by : Private Property
North by : St. John's Church Road,
South by : Premises No. 6 and 7 Pettigrew Street

KNS LEGAL
Advocates and Solicitors
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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

My client is negotiating to purchase the schedule mentioned Item No.1 to 3 of the immovable properties from its owners 1) Smt. Kavitha, W/o. Late. Gopalagowda & 2) Sri.Nataraj.K., S/o. Late. Krishnamurthy.V.N.,for a valuable sale consideration amount.

The aforesaid Smt. Kavitha & Sri.Nataraj.K., have represented to my client that they are the absolute co-owners of the Item No.1 to 3 of the schedule properties, having a clear, marketable and absolute right, title, interest and possession over the Item No.1 to 3 of the Schedule Properties. They have further represented that the schedule properties are free from all or any kind of charges, claims, encumbrances, Court Attachments, injunctions, Minor claims, or any sort of claims of whatsoever nature and there are no subsisting sale agreements or contracts binding the said Smt.Kavitha & Sri.Nataraj.K., or over the Item No.1 to 3 of the schedule properties and there is no hindrance, impediment or obstacle for the proposed sale transaction in respect of the Item No.1 to 3 of theschedule properties in favor of my client.

Any person/persons claiming to have any sort of right, title, claim, interest, lien, agreement or charge over the schedule properties or any part thereof or any other claims or objections for the proposed sale transaction, may lodge their objections/claims along with supporting documents with the undersigned within 10 days from the date of publication of this public notice.

If no such objections/claims are received within the prescribed time, my client will proceed to complete the sale transaction and if any objections or claims is lodged beyond the prescribed period to time, it shall not be reckoned and it shall be deemed that all objections and claims by whosoever are waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ITEM No.1: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being converted land bearing Sy.No.8/3A of Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN(NAY)S.R/145/13-14, dated:25.04.2014, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Urban District, with New Property No.152/118/1, with E-Khatha No.150200202000325406, totally measuring an extent of 4,350.37 Sq. Meters and bounded on the:

East by : Land bearing Sy.No.118/1
West by : BEL Layout
North by : Lake
South by : Road

ITEM No.2: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being agricultural land bearing Sy.No.8/7 of Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, totally measuring an extent of 2.08 Guntas and bounded on the:

East by : Land bearing Sy.No.118/1
West by : Remaining land bearing Sy.No.8/7
North by : Land bearing Sy.No.8/3
South by : Land bearing Sy.No.8/4

ITEM No.3: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being agricultural land bearing Sy.No.8/4 of Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, totally measuring an extent of 2.08 Guntas and bounded on the:

East by : Land bearing Sy.No.118/3
West by : Land bearing Sy.No.8/8
North by : Land bearing Sy.No.8/7
South by : Road

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IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, COMMERCIAL COURT, (CCH 84) AT BANGALORE

Com O.S No.1161/2024

BETWEEN: M/s Earthline Services Private Ltd., A Company registered under the provision of Companies Act. Having its Offices at No. 1A, 4th floor, 11th cross, Lingarajapuram, Bengaluru-560084. Represented by its Managing Director, Mr Varkey Thomas. ... **PLAINTIFF**

AND: 1) Mr. D.S. Jhunjhunwala, Aged; Major, Co Founder Polyroads India No. 196, 7th main road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.

2) Mr. Archit Jhunjhunwala, Aged; Major, Co Partner Polyroads No 196, 7th main road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011. **3) Mr Nanda Kishore Narayanswamy** CEO, NCUBE Enterprises(Associate of Polyroads), No. 196, 7th main road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.... **DEFENDANTS 4) Geetha Nandakishore,** Aged: Major, The Partners of NCUBE Enterprises No. 196, 7th Main Road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011. **5) Zameer Ghouri,** Aged: Major, The Partners of NCUBE Enterprises No. 196, 7th Main Road, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011...**PROPOSED DEFENDANTS No.4 and 5**

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO PROPOSED DEFENDANT No. 5

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff has filed the above suit seeking a judgment and decree against the Defendants for recovery of a sum of Rs.9,91,200/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs Ninety One Thousand, Two Hundred Only) along with applicable interest. The notices sent to the proposed defendants are returned.

Wherefore notice to proposed Defendant No. 5 is published, directing you to Appear before the City Civil Judge, Commercial Court CCH 84, Bengaluru, on **21-07-2025** at 11:00 AM to answer the claim. If you fail to appear before this Hon'ble court on that day either in person or through your counsel, you will be placed ex-parte and the case will be disposed off in accordance with law.

Given under my hand and the and seal of this court on 23-06-2025.

By order of the court, Senior Sheristedar, Commercial Court Unit, City Civil Court at Bangalore.

Advocate for plaintiff:
BEAULA ADVOCATES
No. 1B, 2nd Floor, Nandanam, 5th Main Road, Channasandra, OMBR Layout, Bengaluru-560 043. Mob:9845670279

PUBLIC NOTICE

BE IT KNOWN THAT, our clients **1).Sri. Anand Suresh Desai** also known as Anand S.Desai, son of Sri.Suresh Desai and **2).Smt.Sonia Chauhan,** wife of Sri.Anand S. Desai, both are residing at Flat No.302, S.M.Paradise, N.505, 3rd Main, 5th Cross, OMBR Layout, Banaswadi, Bengaluru-560043, are the joint and absolute lawful owners of their immovable property being Agricultural Dry Land bearing Sy.No.118/8, measuring 1 Acre 02 Guntas, situated at Goduru Village, Maralavadi Hobli, Harohalli Taluk, Ramanagara District, which is detailed hereunder:

That one **1). Sri. SRINIVASA GOWDA.K,** aged 52 years, son of Sri. Kempegowda and **2). Smt. NETHRAVATHI. K.S,** aged 48 years, wife of Sri.Srinivasa Gowda.K, both are residing at No.3/5, "Laxmi Nilaya", Next to Kempegowda Samudaya Bhavan, Koramangala Road, Adugodi, BENGALURU-560030, (Agreement Holders), had entered into an registered Agreement of Sale without possession dated 13/12/2024, registered as document No.KNK-1-12263-2024-25, of Book-I, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kanakapura, concerning the below mentioned Schedule Property, agreeing to purchase the same from our clients.

That our clients have issued a Legal Notice dated 24.04.2025, calling upon **1). Sri. Srinivasa Gowda. K** and **2). Smt. Nethravathi .K.S** to come forward and pay the balance of the sale consideration and to get the Schedule Property registered in their joint names. That in spite of the Legal Notice dated 24.04.2025, **1). Sri. Srinivasa Gowda. K** and **2). Smt. Nethravathi. K.S** have failed to come forward to either pay the balance of the agreed Sale Consideration in terms of the Agreement of Sale dated 13/12/2024 and obtain a registered Absolute Sale Deed of the Schedule Property jointly in their favour.

Furthermore the said Agreement Holders have also failed to even comply with the terms of the Legal Notice dated 24.4.2025. Hence, our clients have terminated the Agreement of Sale dated 13-12-2024, registered as document No.KNK-1-12263-2024-25, of Book-I, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kanakapura, concerning the below mentioned Schedule Property which is registered in their favour, through their Termination legal Notice dated 18-06-2026 and the said Agreement of Sale dated 13-12-2024 is not binding on our clients.

It is hereby cautioned that in spite of this Public Notice if any person/s make any attempt to deal with 1). Sri. Srinivasa Gowda. K and 2). Smt. Nethravathi. K.S, concerning the Schedule Property they will be doing so at their own risk and cost.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property being Agricultural Dry land bearing Sy.No.118/8, measuring 1 Acre 02 Guntas, situated at Goduru Village, Maralavadi Hobli, Harohalli Taluk, Ramanagara Distict and bounded as under: **East by:** Land bearing Sy.No.118/2 belongs to Srinivasa Gowda, **West by:** Portion of Land bearing Sy.No.118 belongs to Venkatappa, **North by :** Harohalli – Anekal Main Road, **South by:** land bearing Sy.No.118 belongs to Channabasavegowda, Venkatappa and Srinivasa Gowda

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HG:31.07.2025
IN THE COURT OF VI ADDL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE, AT BANGALORE
CCH-11
P & SC No.288/2025

PETITIONERS:
01. Mr. GAUTAM P SHET, S/O. Late M. Prabhakar Shet, Aged about 57 years, Residing at: 4550 Cheeney ST Santa Clara, CA 95054, U.S.A., PAN No: BNMPS2945Q, Passport No: 576521543, Represented by his Power of Attorney Holder, Ms. **BHUVANESHWARI SANGARAJ DESAI** D/O. Late Sangaraj Desai, Aged about 50 years.
02. Mrs. ARCHANA SHET, D/O. Late M. Prabhakar Shet, Aged about 59 years, Residing at: 5305 Musket Ridge, Austin, TX 78759, U.S.A., PAN No: BRFPS0720L, Passport No: A43893775. Represented by her Power of Attorney Holder, Ms. **BHUVANESHWARI SANGARAJ DESAI** D/O. Late Sangaraj Desai, Aged about 50 years.
03.WORLD RENEWAL SPIRITUAL TRUST, A public charitable Trust, Registered under Bombay Public Trust Act 1950, Having its Branch Office at: No.193, 1st Floor, 9th Cross, HMT Layout, R. T. Nagar, Bengaluru-560 032. Represented by its Trustee: Ms. **BHUVANESHWARI SANGARAJ DESAI** D/O. Late Sangaraj Desai, Aged about 50 years.
04. Ms. BHUVANESHWARI SANGARAJ DESAI D/O. Late Sangaraj Desai, Aged about 50 years, Residing at: No: 193, 1st Floor, 9th Cross, HMT Layout, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru-560 032. Aadhaar No: 2236 1848 1949.

AND,

RESPONDENTS: -NIL-

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above named Petitioners have filed this Petition under section 276 of The Indian Succession Act, 1925 for grant of Probate Certificate in respect of the WILL dated 8.11.2023 executed by Late M. Prabhakar Shet, S/o Late M. Janardhan Shet registered as Document No.HBB-3-00065/2023-2024 in Book-III, in the office of Sub Registrar Hebbal, Bangalore in respect of the property mentioned in the schedule below in favour of Petitioners. Late Mr. M.Prabhakar Shet is the father of Petitioner No.1 & 2 herein who expired on 19.12.2024.

Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear before this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on 31.07.2025 at 11 a.m. inform to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the petition will be heard and declared as Ex-parte.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No.251, PID No. 97-3-251, Block No.11 (2nd Block), 14th Cross, Matadahalli Extension, R.T.Nagar (Ravindranath Tagore Nagar), Bangalore-560 032, Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Ward No.46 (Jayachamarajendra Nagar) measuring East to West: 24.38 Meters and North to South: 15.24 Meters or totally measuring 444.44 Square Meters or 4,000 Square Feet, being a residential premises comprising a Ground floor residential house, garage and stairs of built up area of 1717 Square Feet or thereabouts and bounded on:-

East by : Site Nos.126 and 127;
West by : Road;
North by : Site No.252; and
South by : Site No.250;

Together with full fixtures, electrical and water connections, compound walls and all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface.

Given under my hand & seal of the court, on this the 20th day of June, 2025.

By Order of the Court
Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bangalore.
Address for Service
M.MOHAN RAO
Advocate for Petitioners
 # 14, Sirur Park Road, Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru-560 020.
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DEEPAK SAHAKARI BANK LTD

No.1703, 2nd Block, Rajajinagara, Bangalore-560010

TENDER – CUM – AUCTION SALE NOTICE

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY UNDER SECURITISATION AND RE CONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

Whereas, the Bank has issued notice under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and in pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) of the Act, the Authorised Officer, **Deepak Sahakari Bank Limited, Rajajinagar Branch Bangalore,** has taken possession of the mortgaged properties including those more fully described hereunder, and the Bank has decided to sell the below mentioned property under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act read with the relevant rules of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Sl. No	Name of the Borrower	Description of Property and Boundaries & Measurement	Reserve Price and EMD	Balance Outstanding Amount to be paid to Bank	Date & Time of opening tender & place of auction
1	**(1) Mr. Girish C** S/o Late Chinnappa M, No.86, II Floor, Manjunathnagar, I Stage, III Main Road, III Cross, Netaji Subhash Chandra Road, Bangalore-560010. **(2) Mr. Lohith M** S/o Manjunath No.106, II B Cross, II Block, Near Maramma Temple, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010. **(3) Mrs. Rathnamma** W/o Late Chinnappa M, **(4) Kum. Sushmitha C** D/o Late Chinnappa. **Sl No 3 & 4 residing at:** No.86, II Floor, Manjunathnagar, I Stage, III Main Road, III Cross, Netaji Subhash Chandra Road, Bangalore-560010. **(5) Mr. Narasimhamurthy H** S/o Hanumantharayappa No.20, Parvathy Nivasa, 10th 'G' Main, Nisarga Layout, Hindupura Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.	**ITEM No.1:** All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing Kaneshumari No.70, New Municipal no.33, Juganahalli, II Block, II B Main Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore City, PID No.15-65-33, measuring East to West 95 feet, North to South 16 feet, totally measuring 1520 sq. ft. and bounded on: East: Road, West: Gangamma and Lingaiah's Property, North: Dhobi Sanjeevappa's Property, South: Road and out of property Municipal No.1 Item No.2 belongs to C Girish's Property. **ITEM No.II:** All that piece and Parcel of the Property bearing Kaneshumari No.70, New Municipal No.103/33 and Khaneshumari No.71/1, Municipal No.132/1, New Municipal No.1/1, Northern Side property, Juganahalli, II Block, II B Main Road, Rajajinagar, Bangalore City, PID No.15-65-1, measuring East to West 18 feet, North to South 15 feet, totally measuring 270 sq. ft. and bounded on: East: Madiwala Sanjeevappa's Property, West: Road then property No.33 belongs to Girish C, North: Road, South: Southern portion of Lohith's Property. as per actual East to West 48 feet and North to South 16 feet, totally measuring 720 sq. ft. as per actual East to West 12 feet and North to South 29 feet, area 348 sq. ft. consider area 1068 sq. ft.	**Rs. 74,76,000/-** (Rupees Seventy Four Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Only) **EMD: Rs. 7,47,600/-** (Rupees Seven Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Only)	**Rs. 62,85,604/- as on 19.06.2025**	**10.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** **Deepak Sahakari Bank Ltd., Head Office Rajajinagar, Bangalore.** **EMD Date 09.07.2025before 5.00 PM**

Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale: (1) The Tender form can be collected from **Deepak Sahakari Bank Ltd., Rajajinagar Branch, No.1703, 2nd Block, Rajajinagara, Bangalore-560010 ((ph. 080- 23521577/9901527923)** on all working days during office hours. **(2)** The intending bidders should submit their bids in the prescribed tender form in closed cover along with EMD of 10% of the Reserve Price by means of Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order drawn in favour of **Deepak Sahakari Bank Ltd.,** Bangalore- payable at Bangalore. The Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order shall be drawn after the date of publication of this Tender – cum – Auction Sale Notice. **(3)** Tenders not in the prescribed format will not be accepted. The tender along with the EMD shall be submitted at **Deepak Sahakari Bank Ltd.,** Bangalore latest by **09.07.2025 before 5.00 P M.** Tender without EMD shall be summarily rejected. **(4)** The property "SHALL NOT" be sold below the reserve price. **(5)** In case the bidder is not successful the E M D amount shall be refunded without interest. **(6)** The EMD amount shall be liable for forfeiture without prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Auction Sale. **(7)** The sealed tenders will be opened by the Authorised Officer in the presence of the available / attending bidders at **11.30 AM on 10.07.2025. (8)** After opening the tenders, the intending bidders may be given opportunity at the discretion of the Authorised Officer to have, intense bidding amongst themselves to enhance the offer Price. **(9)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% OF THE SALE PRICE (INCLUSIVE OF EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in Cash or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale Price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property shall be put for re-auction. **(10)** The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues / taxes / charges / property tax / E B charges / water charges / conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws. **(11)** The Authorised Officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all of the tender or/ bid / offer and / or adjourn / postpone / cancel the Auction Sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice. **(12)** The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank. **(13)** The property can be inspected by the intending bidder between **10.00 AM and 5.00 PM** at his expenses at the address mentioned in the Schedule. **(14)** The property is put for sale on "AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and **"AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION".** The intending bidder SHALL SATISFY HIMSELF about the title, ownership, statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property. **(15)** In case of stay of further proceedings by DRT/DRAT/High Court or any other court, the auction may either be deferred or cancelled and persons participating in the sale shall have no right to claim damages, compensation or cost for such postponement or cancellation. **(16)** This is also notice to the (Borrowers /Guarantors / Mortgagors) aforesaid loan about holding of auction sale on above mentioned date if their dues are not repaid in full, other terms and conditions applicable as per the Act.

For further details the intending bidders may contact the Authorised Officer, Deepak Sahakari Bank Limited Head Office No. 1703, II Block, Rajajiangar, Bangalore-560010. and for ascertaining the details of property and also for inspection of property contact (ph. 080-23521577/9901527923) or Mr. Niranjan Kumar T Mob: 9632383697 (M/s. SUN DEBT MANAGEMENT SERVICES PVT LTD) E-Mail: dsbadmin@deepakbank.com

Date: 20.06.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **DEEPAK SAHAKARI BANK LIMITED**

STATE BANK OF INDIA

HOME LOAN CENTRE, WHITEFIELD, No.117, Ground Floor, Neil Rao Towers, Road No. 3, EPIP Phase 1, Whitefield Road, Bengaluru - 560 066. Tel: 080-28411010/1020, E-Mail: sbi.17753@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT ')

A notice is hereby given that the following Borrowers **1) Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo S/o. Sri. Simanchala Palo, 2) Smt. Jyotsna Priyadarsini Acharya, W/o. Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo,** have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loan accounts have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned unserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

1) Name and Address of the Borrower's : 1. Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo S/o. Sri. Simanchala Palo, No. 17, 6th A Cross, 2nd Main, Chinnapanahalli, Om Shakti Temple, Bengaluru-560037. **Also at : (i)** IT - Manager, Employee No. HC2940, M/s Nexwave Talent Management Solutions, Ecospace Bellandur, Bengaluru - 560103. **(ii)** Trinath Mandir Down Lane, Forest Colony School, Raniguda Farm, Kalyanasingpur, Rayagada, Odisha - 765001. **(iii)** Flat No.503, 5th Floor, Mount Dale Wing, Tower - I, "ARSIS GREEN HILLS", Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru - 560049. **(iv)** MANVI HOMES, # 26, Flat No. 402, 6th A Cross, 1st Main, Chinnapanahalli, Marathahalli, Bengaluru - 560037. **(v)** HSBC Electronic Data Processing, RMZ Ecospace, Adarsh Palm Retreat, Bellandur, Bangalore - 560103. **2. Smt. Jyotsna Priyadarsini Acharya,** W/o. Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo, #17, 6th A Cross, 2nd Main, Chinnapannahalli, Marathahalli, Om Shakti Temple, Bengaluru - 560039. **Also at : (i)** Professor Pada Santa Sahi, Municipality Area, Cuttack Sadar, A D Market, Orissa - 753012. **(ii)** Flat No.503, 5th Floor, Mount Dale Wing, Tower - I, "ARSIS GREEN HILLS", Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bengaluru - 560049.

Account No's. : HL 40022992490, Suraksha 40030671678

Demand Notice : 20.05.2025 **NPA Date : 08.02.2025**

Amount outstanding (As on the date of notice) : Rs. 59,14,555/- (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakh Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Five Only) as on 19.05.2025. You are also liable to pay further interest at the contractual rate from 20.05.2025 on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.

Description of the Immovable Property : Schedule A Property : ITEM NO. 1 : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Sy No.56/2, Old No.56 measuring 2 Acres, situated at Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, BBMP Khata No.163 and the same was converted vide conversion Order bearing No.BIDS.ALN/SR/398/1981-82 dated 22.03.1982 and Order No. ALN(EBB)CR/02/2023-24 dated 26.05.2023, together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever, whether underneath or above the surface.

ITEM NO. 2 : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Sy No.56/1, Old No.56 measuring 38.08 Guntas, situated at Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, BBMP Khata No.167 and the same was converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide conversion Order bearing No.ALN(E.B).SR.8/2010-11 dated 23.07.2010 together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever, whether underneath or above the surface.

ITEM NO. 3 : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Sy No.52/2B, Old Sy No.52/2 measuring 18.08 Guntas, situated at Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, BBMP Khata No.277-225, 226, 227, 228, 229 and the same was converted vide conversion Order bearing No.B.DIS.ALN/SR/654/1967-68 dated 10.04.1968 and Order No.ALN(EBB) CR/06/2023-24 dated 21.06.2023, all situated at Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever, whether underneath or above the surface.

ITEM NO. 4 : Immovable property bearing Old Sy No.56, New Sy No.56/1, total measuring 41,926.5 Sq.feet or 38.08 Guntas, BBMP Khata No.172, situated at Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide conversion Order bearing No.ALN(EBB)SR/166/2014-15 dated 12.03.2015 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, together with all rights, appurtenance, whatsoever, whether underneath or above the surface.

CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE A PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of consolidated immovable property measuring 4 Acres 15.08 Guntas, situated at Bhattarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, BBMP Khata No.163, consolidated boundaries for Item Nos.1, 2, 3 & 4 and **bounded on : East by :** Property belongs to Doddannaiah and Chikkannaiah, **West by :** Sy No. 60 Property and Pathway, **North by :** Sy. No. 57 Property, **South by :** Old Madras Road and Sy. No. 52 Property.

Schedule B Property : An undivided share of 243.73 Sq.feet land in Schedule A Property.

Schedule C Property : Apartment/Flat bearing No. 503, in the Fifth Floor, in Mount Dale Wing, Tower-I of the Residential Complex known as "ARSIS GREEN HILLS" to be constructed over the Schedule A Property, measuring 1330 Sq.feet Built up area (carpet area including internal walls is 850.54 Sq.feet + Sit out and utility area is 111.62 Sq.feet + External walls area is 68.90 Sq.feet common area 298.94 Sq.feet), consisting Two Bedrooms, Two Bathrooms, Kitchen, Living, Dining, Utility, Sit Out with vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space in the basement floor, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, **standing jointly in the names of Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo S/o. Sri. Simanchala Palo and Smt. Jyotsna Priyadarsini Acharya W/o. Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo.**

SPECIFICATIONS:-

STRUCTURE	2B+G+31 stores RCC shear wall (MIVAN) construction using reputed ISI Grade Steel and Cement
MAIN DOOR	Teakwood frame and two panel flush door with polish, SS fittings along with door stopper
OTHER DOORS	Sal wood/equivalent door frames and two panel flush shutters with paint, SS fittings along with door stoppers
WINDOWS	Good quality extruded Aluminium/UPVC 2.5 track sections, sliding windows, provision for mesh shutters
FLOORING	Good quality 2*2 vitrified tiles flooring with skirting for living, dining, bedrooms and kitchen
BALCONIES	Good quality anti-skid tiles for flooring, skirting with M S railings
FINISHING	Premium emulsion paint for internals and exterior texture finish with ACE Paint
TOILETS	Anti-skid tiles flooring and Glaze tiles dado up to 7 feet height with false ceiling work & provision for Geyser
KITCHEN	Granite platform with stainless steel sink and 600 mm wall Dado above platform, provision for water purifier, refrigerator, chimney/exhaust fan, microwave, geyser
SANITARY	Jaguar/hind ware chromium plated and ceramic fittings
ELECTRICAL	Fire resistance wiring and switches of Havel's/Philips/equivalent video door phone provision
COMMON AREA	Granite/Vitrified flooring and skirting
POWER BACKUP	Lighting circuits for flats and 100% for common use

Sale Deed dated 07.06.2024 has been registered in favour of Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo S/o. Sri.Simanchala Palo and Smt. Jyotsna Priyadarsini Acharya W/o. Sri. Ashwini Kumar Palo in Book No.1 under Document No. KRI-1-03366-2024-25 at the Office of Additional Sub Registrar, K.R. Pura, Bengaluru on 07.06.2024.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrowers /mortgagors are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act, 2002.

The borrowers/mortgagors attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 20.05.2025 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, State Bank of India**
Place : Bangalore **Home Loan Centre, Whitefield, Bengaluru**

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APPENDIX IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical** possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, Chetput Branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is"** and **"Whatever there is"** on **11.07.2025,** for recovery of **Rs.5,51,04,801/- (Rupees Five crores fifty one lakhs four thousand eight hundred and one only) (as on 20.06.2025)** with further interest, costs, other charges and expenses thereon from 21.06.2025, due to the Indian Bank, Chetput Branch, Secured Creditor from :

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE BORROWER / GUARANTOR (1) M/s. Sri Nandhi Agro Food, (Borrower), Represented by its Partners : Mr. S. Kamal, Mr. V R Pradeep & Ms. K B Lavanyaa, Registered Office : No.7 & 8, Amudha Illam, Vivekanandha Nagar, Ranga Garden, Kolathur, Chennai - 600 099, **Also at (Factory/ Plant) :** S. No.17-2B, 17-2A, Karepakam Village, Varadaiahpalem Mandalam, Chittor District. **(2) Mr. S. Kamal, (Partner/Guarantor),** S/o Mr. Selvamani, No.7 & 8, Amudha Illam, Vivekanandha Nagar, Ranga Garden, Kolathur, Chennai - 600 099. **(3) Mr

EDITORIAL

"The surest way to eradicate a people's right to their land is to deny their historical connection to it"

Rashid Khalidi

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— Ramnath Goenka

GLIMMER OF PEACE, BUT CRUCIAL ISSUES CONTINUE TO FESTER

BY now, the world has got used to the shifting policy positions of Donald Trump. So when the narrative sharply changed on his Truth Social account from the bravado of having "completely and totally obliterated" Iran's nuclear weapons programme on Sunday night, to the Monday announcement of a "complete and total ceasefire" ending the 12-day Israel-Iran war, it was not difficult to digest. The world heaved a sigh of relief with a pause on the strikes that were threatening not only West Asia, but the rest of the world too. While all parties to the conflict—the US, Israel and Iran—declared victory, the rest of world hoped for a lasting peace. Israel quickly affirmed Trump's call for ceasefire. Iran was more guarded, but its calibrated 'attack' with prior warning on US facilities in Qatar indicated Tehran was also ready to take an off ramp.

The hopes were briefly belied on Tuesday as Israel and Iran resumed attacks on each other within hours of the official start of the ceasefire. Through the day, Trump became increasingly agitated, especially with Israel, for continuing to "unload" bombs. After Trump's public rebuke, Benjamin Netanyahu promised to refrain from more strikes. The world is still hoping for the warring parties to keep their word as their short-term goals seem to have been met. For Trump, his claim of ending Iran's nuclear ambitions without sacrificing American lives has lifted his domestic stock. Netanyahu has scotched dissent at home. Iran, too, has demonstrated that it is no pushover.

However, for the long term, most of the contentious issues remain unresolved. Despite the US's claim of forging 'peace with strength', regional calculations may have moved a few steps back. Tehran has threatened legal action against the International Atomic Energy Agency chief, whose role would be crucial for any new nuclear deal to be placed on the table. The nuclear non-proliferation treaty seems to be in tatters now, with Iran poised to exit. Despite American and Israeli claims, it is not clear what has happened to Fordo's enriched uranium and centrifuges. Meanwhile, the Gaza imbroglio drags on without resolution, with the European Union's foreign policy chief promising action against Israel if things do not improve. Long-term solutions to the region's many conflicts seem as distant today as they were before the strikes. For now, the world will settle for a ceasefire.

HATE CRIME BILL NEEDS BALANCED EXECUTION

THE Karnataka government intends to take on the new-age maladies of hate speech, hate crimes and fake news with two bills. The Karnataka Misinformation and Fake News (Prohibition) Bill proposes to make the spreading of fake news a non-bailable, cognisable offence. Meanwhile, the Karnataka Hate Speech and Hate Crimes (Prevention and Control) Bill, modelled along a similar national law, defines hate crime as an act that "causes harm, incites violence, or spreads hatred based on identity markers such as religion, caste, gender, sexual orientation, tribe, language or disability"; hate speech is defined as "any form of communication—verbal, written, visual or digital—that is intended to promote hostility or incite harm". The former bill would include content shared on digital media and make social media platforms, telecom operators and internet service providers liable to face legal action, with up to three years in prison and a fine of ₹5,000. Spreading fake news online could invite prison terms of up to seven years and a fine of up to ₹10 lakh.

It is commendable that the government is taking on the hydra-headed monster called fake news, which feeds on itself and has become the cause of much social discord. The law aims to suppress prejudice, and could have a sobering effect on fringe political elements whose vitriolic speeches lead to sharp divisions. "Hurting religious sentiments" has become an oft-used phrase while targeting certain communities or castes, and is interpreted at will. The new laws are likely to bring in clear definitions of hurt and hate, and aid law-enforcing agencies in discerning malicious cases.

While it is almost impossible to filter through the vast folds of social and other media, the proposed laws give district authorities sweeping powers to crack down on offenders. They are expected to face resistance on the grounds of protecting the freedom of speech. A balanced implementation would be essential, as the laws could be misused against honest expression and as a political tool. The drafts exempt artistic works, academic research, factual journalistic reporting and religious discourse, provided the content does not incite violence. It is laudable that the government is making a concerted effort to rein in communalism and foster an atmosphere of positivity.

QUICK TAKE

COUNTRY OF POTHOLES

INDIANS have a strange fascination for notching up some of the oddest world records. Carrying on the tradition, the Delhi government promised to set one for fixing the largest number of potholes in a day—a whopping 3,400. More than showcasing the new state administration's alacrity, it reveals the terrible condition of the national capital's roads. During 2018-22, accidents triggered by potholes resulted in 5,626 fatalities across the country. Manmohan Singh's lament in the late 2000s that, despite all the economic progress, India could not build world-class roads holds true even today. Of the enduring troika of poll-time promises, politicians have failed most glaringly in delivering *sadak* (roads). Time to take them to task.

With its embrace of the Israeli regime, India is undoing decades of diplomatic efforts and alienating old friend Iran. Meanwhile, Pakistan is displaying strategic autonomy while repositioning itself

INDIA FORGETS 'SMART POWER' LESSON OF RAO

M K BHADRAKUMAR
Former diplomat

A spectacular display of strategic autonomy in world politics appeared on Sunday at the United Nations Security Council emergency session after the US-led strikes on Iranian nuclear sites. Pakistan joined hands with Russia and China to propose a resolution demanding an "immediate and unconditional ceasefire". While the draft resolution did not explicitly name the US or Israel, it condemned the attacks on Iranian nuclear facilities.

To pass, the resolution requires the backing of at least nine members—which it has reportedly secured—but also not attract any veto by the permanent members. That proviso makes it a non-starter, since the US won't censure itself. Nonetheless, it is an astonishingly assertive display of strategic autonomy by Pakistan within a week after the lunch hosted by US President Donald Trump for Pakistan's army chief General Asim Munir at the White House and their one-on-one conversation.

Trump has a way of intimidating people positively or negatively. He could not find time to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the sidelines of G7 summit last week, but instead invited him to the White House. Trump probably intended to get Modi and Munir together, which would have been a feather on his cap as a 'mediator'. So typical of Trump! But Modi preferred to visit 'Mahaprabhu's land', Odisha.

How does Gen Munir get away with such blatantly provocative 'multi-alignment'—to borrow External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar's coinage? The answer is that the exceptional hospitality Munir received at the White House did not cloud his firm judgement about the highest importance of Islamabad acting—and be seen as acting—as Iran's best friend in the neighbourhood at such a time of trial and tribulation in that country's 2,700-year history, when it faces an existential threat from the US-Israel juggernaut.

Alas, India lacks such clarity of mind about the importance of Iran. Some 30 years ago, the UN arena in Geneva witnessed another diplomatic pirouette involving Pakistan and Iran, when Iran killed an Organisation of Islamic Cooperation resolution sponsored by Pakistan at the UNHRC condemning India's alleged human rights violations in Kashmir. Iran was responding to an Indian request made personally by Jaishankar's then predecessor, the late Dinesh Singh. I had accompanied Singh on that historic mission—'historic' because Prime Minister Narasimha Rao had ordered such a diplomatic initiative on the basis of a meticulous assessment that the OIC resolution had a good chance of getting approval at the UNHRC, which, we feared, might lead to the reopening of Kashmir file at the Security Council in New York. Neither Boris Yeltsin's Russia nor Bill Clinton's America was a dependable friend at that time.

MANDAR PARDIKAR

Rao, our only statesman who draws comparison with Jawaharlal Nehru in sheer erudition, took that audacious decision since he was a scholar-politician-diplomat himself who spoke Persian and was deeply immersed in Iran's history to comprehend the subtlety and sophistication of the Iranian mind—and its intense desire for a close relationship with India. Fortunately, in Singh, too, we had a rare foreign minister who genuinely believed in India's independent foreign policy and strategic autonomy. Indeed, Rao and Singh made a great combination as statesmen. Although neither wasted time spinning airy geostrategies to educate their peer groups in western capitals, they were real practitioners of what Joseph Nye would call 'smart power' in politics.

Suffice to say, not only did Iran support us, but they also arranged an impromptu meeting for Singh with China's foreign minister Qian Qichen, who happened to be in Tehran on that day. To our great delight, Qian, who was a politburo member too, told Singh that Kashmir was a backlog of colonial history and a purely bilateral issue between India and Pakistan that ought to be resolved by the two countries directly, without external interference—effectively rejecting the OIC's *locus standi* in the matter. Thus it was that India, Iran and China synchronised their watches over the Kashmir question on a fateful day in 1994 in Geneva.

India has come a long way since then. Today, India finds itself in deep embrace of Israel—Iran's sworn enemy whose principal credential is that it is a Trojan horse of American interests in the West Asian landscape. There are question marks over Iran's medium- and long-term prospects as a Zionist entity. Unless a radical rethink takes place in Israel to create the propitious conditions necessary for its regional integration, it faces an uncertain future. But there are no signs of a rethink under Israel's present leadership.

Delhi's performance has been dismal—India's strategic ties with the US have been virtually hollowed out. After desperately seeking an opportunity to meet up with Trump, four months later we find it expedient to spurn his invitation to lunch with him. India's relationship with China remains frozen; the time-tested friend Russia feels alienated as we fraternise, as if intentionally, with Russophobic countries of Europe from Scandinavia to the Mediterranean that makes no sense. Iran, of course, cannot be happy with the centrality we ascribe to Israel in our West Asian strategy.

As for Pakistan, it is on excellent terms with all three superpowers today as well as Iran, which is destined to be a hugely important regional power overlooking several surrounding regions. Pakistan teaming up with Russia and China at the UN Security Council in support of Iran signifies not only a display of bold thinking, but a sign of Pakistan's coming of age to position itself as a key player in the emerging multipolar world order.

Certainly, one factor that attracted Munir to Trump would have been his perceived familiarity with Iran's key decision-makers. Indeed, Pakistan-Iran relations are passing through a period marked by warmth, mutual trust and mutual respect. Munir even accompanied Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif to Tehran recently and they were received by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

If only India had stuck to its independent foreign policies in West Asia, it would have had a significant role today in the historic transformation of its extended neighbourhood that we are witnessing. It is a sad situation when Iran's surge is in the cards and Pakistan hopes to create synergy out of it.

(Views are personal)

HEARING THE CALL OF THE VALLEY

AKSHAY ROUT
Former Director General, Election Commission of India

IN the prevailing wilderness of global and national events, public attention has partly shifted away from the Pahalgam terror strike that was followed by the response of Operation Sindoor only a few weeks ago. What may have gone unnoticed are a few signs of a move back to normalcy shown in Jammu and Kashmir.

For one, the opening of the world's tallest rail bridge over the Chenab was an affirmation that Kashmir would move forward undeterred. Tourism is again picking up. Yet, irrespective of this, anxieties and emotions triggered by the terror attack will take time to settle—both among the local population and visitors.

More than any guarantee from outside, what provides assurance is the newfound belief and determination of the Kashmiri people. Candlelight vigils, shutdowns and community leaders leading the castigation of terrorism were signs of a sure shift from past trends. There were processions of condemnation in every corner of the valley in the aftermath of the attack. The strong, united response against terrorism appeared to be an extension of the spirit of electoral participation seen last year.

The tenacity of this new Kashmir was significantly drawn from the two spotless elections in 2024, first for Lok Sabha and later for the assembly. There were no complaints of fatigue among the people even though the two elections were held in short succession. Campaigning by the parties and candidates was as combative as it could be, with a significantly larger number of candidates, especially women, hitting the ground than in the past.

The voter turnouts carried a powerful message. The five Lok Sabha constituencies saw a turnout of 58.58 percent. For the 90-member assembly, it went as high as 63.88 percent. Border constituencies, including the 470 polling stations near the Line of Control returned remarkably high turnouts. Assembly segments of Pulwama, Zainapora and Eidgah, saddled with a history of militancy and boycotts, registered 10 percent higher polling than in 2014. There was not a single repoll and no violence. Befittingly, the election in the territory was termed "*Jashn-e-jamhuriyat*", a celebration of democracy.

Elections in the erstwhile state of J&K were marked by protests, boycotts, threats and fear, which led to low turnouts. Contrasted with allegations of poll-rigging and a sense that the elections were imposed by the authorities, the two elections last year had the semblance of a choice made by the people, of the people and for the people. After the process, there were no grievances from any candidate, winner or loser, or even the ever-intrusive J&K watchers. There were no complaints about unnecessary detention or high-handedness.

These were no consolation elections either, customised for any constrained zone. The 'gold standard' of election management was equally applied. Ensuring accuracy of the electoral roll, strict enforcement of the model code, capture of money and drugs, facilitation of voters including home voting for the needy, webcasting of polls—each bit meticulously followed. Not taking away from the special sensitivity about the Union Territory, the elections were like anywhere in India. The achievement would look taller if seen against the complex background of bifurcation of the erstwhile state, abrogation of Article 370 and delimitation of constituencies that preceded the polls.

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> Following the Pahalgam attack, Kashmiris united in an unprecedented manner to condemn terrorism. It highlighted the social cohesion and empowerment reflected in last year's Lok Sabha and assembly elections. It shows that Kashmiris' yearning for empowerment can't be easily doused now

However, the electoral process is not the main point of discussion. Both the character and outcome of the two elections was a collective yearning for peace and progress, that went much beyond voting action—a rejuvenation of the force of the people who themselves led the process, writing a chapter of vindication. The Election Commission described the exercise as "underscoring a renewed spirit of civic participation and hope for a new era with people deciding their own future".

The assembly election made it clear that the people of the valley have taken responsibility for their own lives, veering away from the gun and choosing peace and progress instead. Citizens were, in a way, giving a reply to the elements of dissonance and sabotage both inside and outside the country. The consensus among political parties for holding the elections suggested a unity of purpose.

While being a battleground of political ideas, polls do create a social cohesion that is valuable. Stability and energy generated by free and fair elections can galvanise a whole community to push forward development and reconstruction. J&K elections have created a resounding trail of community strength that can overcome shocks like the Pahalgam massacre and jumpstart normalcy.

A level of normalcy is ordinarily a prerequisite for conducting elections. At the same time, elections augment normalcy and add to its quality and endurance, by endowing it with legitimacy. Jammu and Kashmir has accrued this capital which should help it see through aberrations like Pahalgam in a social and political sense and help buttress security even while the state may have its arsenal in paused readiness.

The terror attack was a manifest attempt to disrupt peace and distract people, especially the youth from the democratic and developmental path they so decisively chose through the two elections. The good thing is that the successful conduct of elections has fortified the polity and the society of Kashmir against these and other challenges, big or small, present or future. Hopes born out of the democratic churning of 2024 are likely to keep growing; not to be doused by odd voices or acts of insinuation and skepticism from outside or within.

(Views are personal)

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Diplomatic delusion

Ref: *Red lines crossed, a region on the brink* (Jun 24). In a world fractured by intermittent wars and countries posing as false mediators, conflicts are being catalysed by corporate greed. Diplomacy has been reduced to a misnomer, a disguise and a paper tiger.
R Sampath, e-mail

Kerala's anti-incumbency

Ref: *Kerala bypoll only one to buck trend of incumbents winning* (Jun 24). The anti-incumbency factors are too strong for the LDF to ignore. Though a few administrative measures introduced by the government are welcomed, increases in taxation are not taken kindly. Backdoor appointments and party leaders' arrogance are also the talking points.
Mohan Kunnakat, Palakkad

Inclusive Olympics

Ref: *New Olympics chief faces stiff challenge* (Jun 24). Coventry's elevation brings hope for a more inclusive and balanced Olympic movement. With her being at the helm, countries like India can look forward to a more equitable platform and aspire to fulfill their hosting dreams.
Rajakumar Arulanandham, Tirunelveli

Emergency dissenters

Ref: *Three lessons for today from Emergency 1975* (Jun 24). The author's statement that no one in the Congress questioned Indira Gandhi for her decision is incorrect. Prominent leaders like Jagjivan Ram, H N Bahuguna and Nandini Satpathy left the party in opposition and founded 'Congress for Democracy'. It later merged with the Janata Party.
N A Joseph, Kottayam

Parallel laws

Ref: *Protect data, businesses too* (Jun 24). The DPDP Act's lack of clarity on data processing in subsidiaries located in blacklisted countries raises significant operational challenges for MNCs. India should adopt a transparent, risk-based framework like the EU. This will additionally ensure legal predictability in cross-border data operations.
Avinashiappan Myilsami, Coimbatore

Practising ideals

Ref: *Lesson from a conversation* (Jun 24). Mere tributes and celebrating reformers do not serve any purpose. If only every citizen practised and followed the crux of what transpired between Mahatma Gandhi and Narayana Guru on caste discrimination and non-violence, our country would be the most harmonious land.
Sanath Kumar T S, Thrissur

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Nitish Kumar @NitishKumar
Our government will construct marriage halls in all panchayats to support the wedding ceremonies of daughters from poor rural families..

Mamata Banerjee @MamataOfficial
I am pleased to share that the New Town Kolkata Development Authority has sanctioned the Phase-I building plan for the TCS office campus at Bengal Silicon Valley.

Dr. S. Jaishankar @DrSJaishankar
On International Day of #WomeninDiplomacy, happy to see increasing number of women diplomats representing India and their interests at the global stage.

● Panel says electoral processes conducted as per laws, involve booth-level agents appointed by political parties

EC trashes Rahul charges of Maha poll rigging...

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

IN a formal communication to Congress leader Rahul Gandhi over his allegations of rigging in the 2024 Maharashtra polls, the Election Commission (EC) has said that all electoral processes are conducted strictly as per laws passed by Parliament and rules.

The poll panel emphasised that the entire poll exercise involves thousands of personnel, including booth-level agents appointed by political parties.

In a letter emailed to Rahul Gandhi on June 12 in response to his article in a leading daily alleging "match-fixing" in the Maharashtra polls , the EC said the entire election process is conducted in a decentralised manner at the assembly constituency level. It said the process involved more than 1,00,186 booth level officers (BLOs), 288 electoral registration officers (EROs), 139 general observers, 41 police observers, 71 expenditure observers and 288 returning officers (ROs) appointed by the EC, according to officials.

Also 1,08,026 booth level agents are appointed by national and state political parties, including 28,421 of the Congress, across Maharashtra.

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The Election Commission

"We presume that any issue regarding conduct of elections would have already been raised through election petitions filed in the competent court of law (high court) by the INC candidates," the EC told the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha. An election petition can be filed in the high court of a state within 45 days of the declaration of results of any particular constituency.

"However, if you still have any issues, you are welcome to write to us and the Commission is also willing to meet you in person at a mutually convenient date and time to discuss all issues," the panel said.

After Gandhi's article appeared, EC sources had said the poll body will respond only if the Congress leader formally writes to it.

Meanwhile, Maharashtra's Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) in a social media post on Tuesday said, "As informed by the Election Commission of India already, electoral rolls are shared with all recognised political parties. During the second special summary revision-2024, which was taken up before the elections to the Maharashtra Assembly, the copies of draft and final electoral rolls of all 288 constituencies were provided to representatives of all recognised political parties, including INC."

The CEO added: "Between draft and final publication of rolls, 19,27,508 claims and objections were received for consideration. As per the law, appeal can be filed against wrongful additions or deletions in the electoral rolls. Only 89 appeals were received."

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Rahul Gandhi, Congress leader

... meanwhile, Rahul ups ante on digital voter rolls

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

REITERATING his claims of alleged irregularities in the Maharashtra assembly polls, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday intensified his attack on the Election Commission of India (ECI) and demanded the immediate release of machine-readable digital voter rolls and CCTV footage.

His assertion came after a new report claimed that in just six months between the 2024 Lok Sabha elections and the Maharashtra assembly polls, Nagpur South West — the seat held by BJP leader and Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis — added 29,219 new voters.

He alleged that it is vote theft and the cover-up is the confession. "In Maharashtra CM's own constituency, the voter list grew by 8% in 5 months. Some booths saw a 20-50% surge. BLOs reported unknown individuals casting votes," he said. "Media uncovered thousands of voters with no verified address. And the EC? Silent or complicit. These aren't isolated glitches. This is vote theft," he said.

Gandhi has been demanding voter lists, poll data and video footage from the EC. Last week, he accused the poll body of "deleting evidence" when it was required to "provide answers" His allegation came after the poll body instructed its state officers to destroy CCTV, webcasting and video footage of the elections after 45 days.

In a letter to state chief electoral officers on March 30, the poll body asked the officers to destroy CCTV, webcasting and video footage of the election process after 45 days if the verdict is not challenged in courts within that period, saying it feared the use of its electronic data to create "malicious narratives".

Vote theft

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In China, Doval calls out double standard on terror

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

IN a forceful address at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) National Security Advisers' meet in Beijing, India's National Security Advisor Ajit Doval urged member states to take decisive and coordinated action against terrorism, including cross-border attacks. Calling out "double standards" in the global fight against terror, Doval asserted that terrorism in any form, especially cross-border terrorism, is a crime against humanity.

In an indirect reference to Pakistan's history of sheltering and sponsoring terrorism, Doval emphasised the need to hold the perpetrators, organisers, financiers, and sponsors of terrorist acts accountable. He called for SCO countries to dismantle terror ecosystems and ensure justice for victims of terrorism. He specifically urged action against UN-designated terrorist groups such as Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), ISIS, and Al-Qaeda and their affiliates.

Proposing concrete steps to bolster the regional security architecture, Doval called for joint efforts to counter radicalisation that fuels terrorism, separatism, and extremism. He also advocated for coordinated information operations to combat extremist ideologies that threaten regional peace and cohesion.

Doval briefed member states on India's recent Operation Sindoor, launched to dismantle terrorist infrastructure and deter future attacks. He noted that India's response had been measured and non-escalatory, focused solely on safeguarding national security.

His strong pitch for counter-terror cooperation came just over six weeks after India conducted precision strikes on nine terror infrastructure sites in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir on May 7 in response to the brutal terrorist attack in Pahalgam that claimed the lives of 26 civilians.

Clamour for action against HC judge grows at House panel meet

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi

SEVERAL MPs from various political parties on Tuesday questioned why no FIR had yet been lodged in the case of the alleged recovery of cash from a High Court judge. The lawmakers, attending a meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice, also proposed that the Department of Justice prepare a detailed briefing on the matter.

Sources familiar with the development said that a number of MPs called for a code of conduct for judges, suggesting that justices in the higher judiciary should be barred from taking up government appointments for five years after retirement.

During the meeting, MPs from various parties posed multiple questions to the Ministry of Law and Justice regarding its actions on judiciary-related matters.

According to sources, the Department of Justice made a presentation on 'Judicial Processes and Their Reform', addressing concerns such as the code of conduct for judges of the higher judiciary and the issue of post-retirement appointments. They also called for a comprehensive report to be prepared and presented at the panel's next meeting.

'Former judges should not be appointed as MPs'

Deliberating on broader aspects, MPs opined that judges should not be eligible for government appointments for five years after retirement. Discussions included suggestions that former judges should not be appointed as MPs or to any other roles by the President immediately after retiring.

A source said that MPs sought clarification on why no action had been taken in the case involving the recovery of unaccounted cash from Justice Yashwant Varma's residence. They also pressed for a formal code of conduct to be implemented. Some MPs also questioned why no motion had yet been introduced to remove Justice Varma.

The lawmakers expressed that the government should already have moved a motion to remove the judge in question — especially in light of findings from a Supreme Court-appointed committee of judges, which confirmed the cash recovery.

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The Rajya Sabha committee is chaired by BJP MP Brij Lal and includes former Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi (a nominated MP), former Minister of State for Law PP Chaudhary, TMC MPs Sukhendu Sekhar Ray and Kalyan Banerjee, Congress's Vivek Tankha, and DMK members P Wilson and A Raja among its key members.

Airlines resume flight ops in West Asia, Europe

S LALITHA @ New Delhi

WITH the situation in the Middle East easing the tense atmosphere on Monday and Qatar opening its airspace, airlines operating to and from India have announced a gradual resumption of operations beginning Tuesday.

Major airlines had announced a shutdown late on Monday, and a few had said that flights could take longer routes than scheduled.

Air India Express, the most prominent Indian player in the Gulf space, operates 900 flights every week between cities in India and 13 destinations in the Middle East.

In a release, the airline said, "Air India Express is progressively resuming its operations to the Middle East from today, June 24, as airspaces in the region reopen. Our first flight to the region today will be on the Delhi–Muscat route, followed by services on the Mumbai–Muscat, Kozhikode–Muscat, Kozhikode–Riyadh, and Jaipur–Jeddah routes."

Air India Express flights to and from key cities in the UAE — including Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Sharjah, Al Ain, and Ras Al Khaimah — as well as other cities in the Middle East, are scheduled from Wednesday (June 25), it added.

Air India said it would resume operations in the cancelled sector in the US and Canada in the near future while other routes were being opened up. A spokesperson said, "As airspaces gradually reopen in certain parts of the Middle East, Air India will progressively resume flights to the region starting today, with most operations to and from the Middle East resuming from June 25. Flights to and from Europe, previously cancelled, are also being progressively reinstated from today (Tuesday), while services to and from the East Coast of the US and Canada will resume at the earliest opportunity."

The statement added, "Some flights may experience delays or cancellations due to consequential impacts and extended re-routings/flight times, but we are committed to minimising disruptions and restoring our schedule integrity."

It also said that the airline would avoid airspaces assessed as unsafe at any given time. "The safety and security of our passengers, staff, and aircraft remain our top priority," it added.

India, Pak extend airspace closure by a month

India and Pakistan have closed their airspace for each other until July 24. The airspace closure period was set to expire on June 24 morning. An official from the Civil Aviation Ministry told this reporter, "India has also decided to close its airspace for Pakistan until July 24 (5.29 am). The decision was taken on Monday night. We have not issued any official statement as of now."

Spicejet connects different cities in India with Dubai alone. It operates 12 flights daily from Delhi, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Pune, Amritsar, Kochi, Madurai, Jaipur and Kozhikode. A spokesperson said, "We have resumed operations on all our routes from Tuesday. We had to cancel some routes last evening alone."

Indigo said, "The flight operations into, out of, and through the Gulf countries have stabilised and are operating as scheduled. However, as airspace over Iran remains restricted, some flights may take alternate routes, which could result in longer travel times. We recommend keeping a close watch on your flight status for the latest updates."

Qatar Airways said, "We are in the process of restoring our global network of more than 170 destinations and are assisting all affected passengers with rebooking and support as quickly as possible."

Emirates, which routed its flights via Dubai on Monday, said it would continue to operate flights as scheduled using flight paths well distanced from conflict areas. "Some flights may incur delays due to longer re-routings or airspace congestion," it added.

100 rescued bonded labourers to attend I-Day

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

THE Centre will invite 100 rehabilitated bonded labourers, along with their spouses, as special guests to the upcoming Independence Day ceremony at the Red Fort. This initiative may renew the government's focus on bonded labour and its rescue and rehabilitation.

In a letter, the Ministry of Defence (MoD) has requested the Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoLE) to coordinate with state governments to compile a list of 100 rescued and rehabilitated labourers for this purpose. In the letter, seen by this newspaper, the MoD has also asked the labour ministry for suggestions on inclusion of any other category of labourers in the special guest list.

In line with the Union government's 15-year plan formulated in 2016, moves are afoot to identify 1.84 crore bonded labourers and facilitate their rescue by 2030.

The MoD, in its letter, shared a format for tabulating rescued and rehabilitated bonded labourers. The format included the name, identification, address, details of the spouse and their years of rescue and rehabilitation, among others.

Under the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act 1976, states and union territories (UTs) are responsible for identifying bonded labourers from time to time. The Act enjoins the state governments to free bonded labourers and rehabilitate them. The labour ministry administers the 1976 Act and implements Central sector scheme 'Rehabilitation of Bonded Labour-2021' for identification and release of the bonded labourers. Under the scheme, Central government provides financial assistance to states to identify and rehabilitate rescued bonded labours within their local jurisdictions.

The labour ministry has requested all states and union territories to identify labourers rescued and rehabilitated in the last five years, i.e., from 2019-20 to 2024-25, along with the prescribed pro forma.

According to the labour ministry's vision documents for 15 years, prepared in 2016-17, the government will identify, release, and rehabilitate around 1.84 crore bonded labourers by 2030. Since 2016, different state governments have got less than 5,000 bonded labourers released every year. So far, 35,000 bonded labourers have been freed against the target of 1.84 crore, according the government data. About 3.15 lakh bonded labourers were released and rehabilitated between 1978 and 2023, the government data shows.

Experts working on bonded labour issues in urban areas believe the Independence Day gesture will help revive public and governmental focus on this deeply entrenched problem.

The Independence Day celebration will offer a unique opportunity for the rehabilitated bonded labourers to witness the nation's festivities and feel a sense of belonging and empowerment. It's a symbolic gesture that underscores the government's commitment to ensuring that those who have been freed from bonded labor are not forgotten and are fully integrated into society, experts say.

Def ministry approves CDS to issue tri-services orders for armed forces

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

IN a significant step towards modernisation and transformation of the Armed Forces, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday authorised the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) & Secretary, Department of Military Affairs (DMA) to issue joint instructions and joint orders for all three Services.

This marks a shift from the earlier system wherein instructions/orders about two or more Services were issued by each Service separately. So far, the Army had the Army Order and Army Instructions (AOAI), the Navy had the Navy Order and Navy Instruction (NONI) and Air Force (AF) Order and AF Instruction for the Air Force.

The orders are generally about policy and procedural changes and are considered more authoritative, whereas the instructions pertain to the implementation of the policies and changes. This step is part of the plan to align the policies eventually and raise structures to organise the armed forces into integrated theatre commands in the future.

The Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff (HQ IDS) is introducing step-by-step reforms that will ultimately lead to an integrated operational environment functioning under the Integrated Theatre Commands with joint force structures.

This step comes under the overarching decision of observing 2025 as the "Year of Reforms" in the MoD.

The MoD said, "The first Joint Order on 'Approval, Promulgation and Numbering of Joint Instructions and Joint Orders' released on June 24, 2025 emphasises the need to streamline procedures, eliminate redundancies and enhance cross-Service cooperation."

India's armed forces are in for their biggest reorganisation since Independence as preparations to roll out the first Integrated Theatre Command (ITC) are in advanced stages. The US and China already deploy their forces under theatre structure.

At the helm of the joint tri-service organisation is HQ IDS, for higher management of defence in the Indian Armed Forces, which leads multiple initiatives aimed at furthering the integration among the services.

Defence ministry seals 13 procurement contracts

The Defence Ministry has concluded 13 contracts worth ₹1,980 crore under the emergency procurement mechanism to boost the Army's operational readiness in countering cross-border terrorism. The Army's integrated drone detection and interdiction systems are being significantly enhanced, officials said.

RESCUE CENTRES

The UP Forest and Wildlife Department says the govt is establishing four modern rescue centres in Meerut, Pilibhit, Maharajganj and Chitrakoot to prevent encounters between people and large carnivores.

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INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	25	Mumbai	29	27
Bhopal	26	22	Panaji	29	27
Jaipur	32	27	Patna	34	29
Amritsar	32	26	Lucknow	33	28
Chennai	36	28	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	31	27	Imphal	27	23
Srinagar	29	19	Chandigarh	32	27

French tourist raped in Udaipur, accused on run

After party, survivor confined at accused's place throughout night

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

Woman was lured on pretext of a smoke

According to the complaint, the accused invited the woman for a smoke, and despite her insistence to be taken back to the hotel, he refused. When the tourist refused to hug him in the apartment, he raped her. The victim was unable to call for help as her phone was discharged.

IN a shocking case in Udaipur, a female tourist from France was raped late on Monday evening. According to police, the accused met the tourist at 'The Greek Farm Café and Resto' in the Tiger Hill area, partied with her, and then lured her to his rented accommodation in Sukher under the pretext of showing her around. It was here that he allegedly committed the crime.

Badgaon police station officer Puran Singh Rajpurohit stated that the tourist had arrived in Udaipur from Delhi on June 22 and was staying in a hotel under the Ambamata police station area.

A party was held at a Restro Cafe located at Tiger Hill. From the party, the accused boy took the foreigner to his rented house in Sukher on the pretext of taking her for a stroll.

The police said that after the incident, the victim admitted herself to a private hospital, where she received medical attention. The hospital administration informed the police, and an FIR was lodged.

Udaipur SP Yogesh Goyal told the media that the French woman has accused a young man, who works for an event company and lives in the Bhupalpura area of the city, of rape. "An investigation into the case is currently underway," he said.

After the assault, the accused kept the woman confined at his residence throughout the night. The following morning, he brought her to the hotel, where she recounted the ordeal to her colleagues. Police were alerted and promptly arrived at the scene and escorted the woman to a government hospital for a medical examination.

According to the complaint, the accused invited the woman for a smoke, and despite her insistence to be taken back to the hotel, he refused. When the tourist refused to hug him in the apartment, he raped her. The victim was unable to call for help as her phone was discharged.

The police have launched a search for the absconding suspect and have assured a thorough investigation. Meanwhile, the incident has triggered a political backlash.

Former Rajasthan CM Ashok Gehlot expressed concern over the rising crime rate, stating on X: "The rape of a French tourist in Udaipur exposes the deteriorating law and order situation in Rajasthan to the world. Women feel unsafe across the state, yet the BJP government remains unconcerned."

The incident comes shortly after the US issued a travel advisory warning female tourists about rising incidents of sexual assault in certain states of India.

POISONOUS GAS

5 killed while trying to save cow from well

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

FIVE men, aged between 25 and 30 years, died due to suspected inhalation of poisonous gas after they descended into a well to rescue a calf in Madhya Pradesh's Guna district on Tuesday.

The well with around 12-ft-deep water is located in an agricultural farm at Dharnawada village. "The deaths occurred prima facie due to carbon monoxide poisoning inside the well. The fall of the calf into the well prompted the five men to go inside to rescue it. How the calf fell into the well is being investigated. Due compensation will be paid to the bereaved families," Guna district collector Kishore Kanyal said.

According to eyewitnesses, the incident happened in the agricultural farm when some men were plucking mangoes. Seeing the calf fall into the well, five men entered the well one after another, but didn't return. "Local residents first began the rescue operations. They were later joined by the local administration and police rescue teams," eyewitness Radha Mohan said. Teams of SDERF and CISF personnel deployed at the National Fertilizers Ltd and GAIL units in Guna carried out the rescue operations but failed to save the five men.

Body stuffed in suitcase found in Raipur, two detained at Delhi airport

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

IN a chilling crime, the police on Monday evening recovered a decomposed body of a youth, Kishore Paikra, found stuffed in a suitcase placed in a large tin trunk and dumped in a deserted area of Raipur.

Some passersby noticed the abandoned trunk in a vacant plot near Indraprastha Colony. That raised the alarm. Early forensics suspected the youth might have died three or four days ago. The body was packed in the suitcase, and cement was used to fill the gaps. The police claimed to have accessed vital clues from the crime scene. Preliminary investigation and circumstantial evidence led to the detention of two suspects, Ankit Upadhyay and Shivani Sharma, with the assistance of the CISF and the Delhi police at Delhi airport.

Police said they recently rented a house in Indraprastha Colony and reportedly left for Delhi after disposing of the trunk. "We have sent our team to Delhi to bring them to Raipur. Then they will be interrogated", said Lal Umed Singh, Raipur Senior SP.

The police realise it is a premeditated murder but are unsure about the motive. Forensic experts are curious about the cement used in the suitcase. It could either be an attempt to slow down the decomposition process or conceal the stench, they said.

Footage from CCTV cameras installed in the area showed the trunk being delivered in an old car with a fake number plate registered in 2005. A woman can be seen suspiciously moving near the vehicle. The police located a shop in the city's Gole Bazar locality where the couple purchased the trunk. The shop owner described the suspects, the police said. The examination of CCTV footage and the description given the shopkeeper who sold the trunk a few days ago at gave the cops vital clues about the two suspects.

Suspects to be brought to Raipur for grilling

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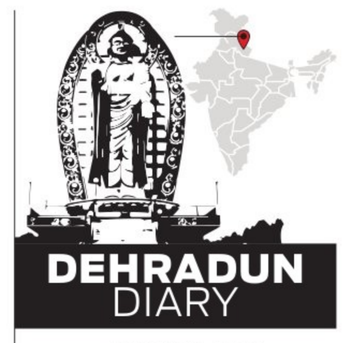

DEHRADUN DIARY

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1st FASTag barrier in high Himalayan region opens

A FASTag barrier has been made operational near the Badrinath Dham at a staggering altitude of 10,279 feet — a first in a high Himalayan region. The new system allows for digital payment of ecotourism fees for all passenger vehicles. District Magistrate Sandeep Tewari virtually inaugurated the barrier. Highlighting the need for the barrier, he expressed, "A manual collection (of fees) meant long queues of vehicles, causing inconvenience to the pilgrims." He had long advocated for its installation in the area in line with the NHIDCL guidelines to streamline pilgrim movement.

State's charm captivates foreign dignitaries

A delegation of ambassadors and high commissioners from eight nations that arrived in Bhararisain, Uttarakhand's summer capital, on International Yoga Day were left spellbound by the region's pristine natural beauty, lush green valleys and clean environment. And why wouldn't they be? Upon their arrival at the Assembly complex, the dignitaries were greeted with a vibrant display of the hill state's rich folk culture — a Chholiya dance performance. Mesmerised by the scenic vistas and traditional welcome, the guests waxed poetic about Gairsain, describing the unique blend of culture and natural splendour as "rich in every aspect".

Election proceedings for panchayat polls put off

Uttarakhand State Election Commissioner Sushil Kumar has indefinitely postponed all election proceedings, including nominations for the proposed three-tier panchayat elections. The decision follows an order of the Uttarakhand High Court issued on Monday. In the case of 'Ganesh Dutt Kandpal vs the State of Uttarakhand', the court ruled that "due to the promulgation of reservation rules for panchayat elections not being notified, reservation determination and the entire proceedings related to it are postponed till further orders". The nominations were originally scheduled to be held from Wednesday to Saturday.

Heavy rains in Surat, alert in 11 dists of Gujarat

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

TORRENTIAL rains battered south and central Gujarat, starting Tuesday morning, leaving streets waterlogged and causing chaos across cities. A red alert was issued in 11 districts amid the downpour till 4 pm. Three youths were swept away in Surat Bay. While two of them were rescued by the fire brigade, one remains missing.

Surat has been pounded by 13 inches of rain in the past 24 hours — the highest recorded in the state — while the entire district logged an average of six inches, making it the wettest region in Gujarat. Kamrej Taluka alone received a staggering 11 inches, followed by eight inches in Palsana. Dolvan (Tapi), Borsad (Anand), and Olpad (Surat) each recorded five inches, while Choryasi (Surat), Vyara (Tapi), Khambhat (Anand), Halol (Panchmahal), Navsari, Bharuch and Mandvi & Mangrol (Surat) received three inches each.

The IMD has predicted another week of intense rainfall, compounding the crisis. With coastal winds expected to blow at 40–50 kmph, fishermen have been strictly warned against venturing into the sea. Gujarat has been drenched in just nine days since the monsoon set in on June 15.

'Not Bangladeshis': Didi hits out at detention of Bengal migrants in Raj

KAUSHIK PRADHAN @ Kolkata

WEST Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday expressed her strong discontent over the alleged detention of around 300 Bengali-speaking migrant workers in Rajasthan on the suspicion of being Bangladeshis. Banerjee said she would speak to Prime Minister Narendra Modi on this issue.

Banerjee told reporters in her Assembly chamber that she has information that over 300 Bengali-speaking migrant labourers from Itahar in North Dinajpur district were confined in a building in Rajasthan despite showing valid documents.

"Why Bengali-speaking people being treated so discriminately? Are the Bengali-speaking people not the citizens of this country? This is not the first time. Similar incidents happened earlier also. I do not know whether the Prime Minister is aware or not. I will speak to the Prime Minister," Banerjee said. One of the detained workers from West Bengal managed to make a phone call to Itahar MLA Mosaraf Hossain and informed him about the incident. Hossain informed the chief minister in the Assembly about the incident, which made her furious.

She claimed that apart from Rajasthan, such incidents also took place in BJP-ruled Delhi and Madhya Pradesh in the past. To a question, Banerjee said the chief secretary is taking up the latest such issue with his counterpart in Rajasthan.

"So far my knowledge goes, whoever arrived till 1971 is an Indian citizen," the chief minister added. Banerjee said 1.5 crore migrant workers from different states are employed in different units in Bengal. Sje said, "But we can never imagine taking such steps which go against the spirit of pluralism of India. What if such steps are taken against migrants from other states here for speaking their mother tongue? Is speaking Bengali considered sacrilegious by BJP-ruled regimes?"

3 more held in girl's death during TMC celebration

Three more persons were arrested in connection with the death of a girl in a bomb explosion during an alleged violent celebration of the Kaliganj bypoll results in West Bengal's Nadia district, police said on Tuesday. The total number of arrests in the death of the minor is now four, a senior officer said. All four have been booked under various sections of the BNS.

Infiltration, border disputes on top of Shah meet agenda

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

ILLEGAL infiltration by Bangladeshis and Rohingya Muslims, especially in states sharing porous borders with Nepal and Bangladesh, came in for priority discussion at the 25th Central Zonal Council session chaired by Union Home Minister Amit Shah in Varanasi on Tuesday.

Four chief ministers, Yogi Adityanath of Uttar Pradesh, Dr Mohan Yadav of Madhya Pradesh, Pushkar Singh Dhami of Uttarakhand and Vishnu Dev Sai of Chhattisgarh took part in the meeting along with senior officials. Varanasi transformed into a fortress, with security measures tightened across the city, particularly on the route from the airport to the venue. The meeting discussed ways to tackle infiltration, cross-border threats, and women's safety.

The leaders also touched upon crimes against women, including cases under the POCSO Act, and emerging law and order challenges in their respective states and issues related to minorities.

Sharing intelligence, managing cross-border movements, and reinforcing policing along sensitive zones were key topics discussed during the four-hour deliberations. Sources said the states tabled their concerns regarding road and transport infrastructure, water and electricity supply, forest management, and environmental challenges.

Linking Himalayan-origin rivers, addressing mining-related environmental risks, and enhancing agricultural output were key priorities.

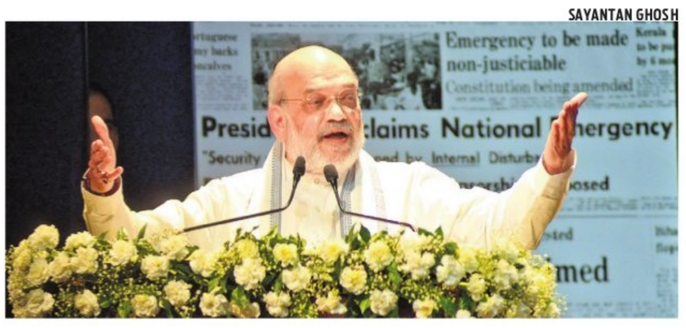
The leaders also explored how to develop religious tourism in these states without harming ecological balance or straining local infrastructure.

Before the meeting, Yogi Adityanath visited Kashi Vishwanath and Sankat Mochan temples for rituals and prayers. He performed 'Panchamrit Abhishek' at the Vishwanath temple and sought blessings at the Hanuman temple. Shah, too, arrived a day earlier and visited Kaal Bhairav temple with CM Adityanath.

A light moment unfolded when a priest performed a ritual to ward off the evil eye from Shah, prompting a chuckle from Yogi, who gently signalled the priest to be quick with it.

The previous Central Zonal Council meeting took place on October 7, 2023, in Narendra Nagar, Uttarakhand, where 18 issues, including juvenile crime, roads, POCSO, and security, were discussed.

SAYANTAN GHOSH



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Nuclear power plant to be set up in Bihar: Khattar

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

UNION Energy Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Tuesday announced a nuclear power plant for Bihar.

After presiding over the fifth meeting of energy ministers from the eastern states of Bihar, Jharkhand, and West Bengal, among others, Khattar said the Centre will provide all necessary help in setting up the nuclear plant. Khattar stated, "The Bihar government had requested the establishment of a nuclear power plant in the state. The Union government is fully prepared to provide support to the state for the project." The minister also announced the launch of six small modular reactors (SMRs) across the country, including one in Bihar. Noting the growing power demand in the country, he said, "We aim to set up a nuclear power plant in every state to ensure the country's energy security." According to him, a nuclear power plant would provide a stable energy source and boost investment, employment and technological advancement in the region. The minister also agreed to the Bihar government's proposal to provide an additional 500 MW of energy for six months. He said that works were underway on thermal power, solar, wind power and storage across the country.

Power vision for 2035

Khattar said works were underway on thermal power, solar, wind power and storage across the nation. He revealed that the govt had prepared a power vision for 2035 and appreciated the progress of Bihar's govt in the power sector.

Blow to Sharad as nephew-led panel wins Baramati coop society elections

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar on Tuesday trounced his uncle and NCP (SP) chief Sharad Pawar to win the prestigious Malegaon Cooperative Sugar Factory elections.

The election that took place on Sunday was spiced up after DCM Pawar himself decided to contest against his uncle, who threw his hat under the leadership of his grandson, Yugnedra Pawar. This was the third round of a high-voltage political contest between two Pawars – uncle and nephew.

Of the total 19,651 electorate, 19,549 belong to Group 'A', which comprises of sugarcane cultivators from the region, while 102 voters are from Group B, representing various cooperative bodies. Ajit Pawar has filed his nomination from Group B.

DCM Pawar and his panel secured the majority of seats in the 21-member board. Ajit Pawar emerged victorious in category 'B' and secured 91 of the 101 votes cast in the high-stakes election against his rival, who could manage only ten votes.

Ajit Pawar last contested sugar mill polls in 1984 and served on the board of directors of the Chhatrapati Cooperative Sugar Mill in the Baramati region.

During campaigning Pawar had addressed over 10 campaign meetings. A total of 90 candidates contested for the 21 seats on the factory's governing body, with four panels in the race. The Sahakar Bachav Panel is headed by veteran cooperative and BJP leader Shankar Taware, and a fourth group comprises independents and representatives of farmers.

This time, the contest was also viewed as a test of Ajit Pawar's hold over the cooperative sector in Baramati, especially amid ongoing factional rivalries with the Sharad Pawar-led NCP.

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Restoration of statehood most important: Omar

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

J&K CM Omar Abdullah on Tuesday said he would not hesitate to dissolve the state assembly if it becomes necessary for the restoration of J&K's statehood. Speaking to the reporters in Gulmarg, Omar emphasised that statehood is a right for the people of J&K.

"If it is imperative for fresh elections to restore statehood, let them hold it," he said, adding that his party does not worry about power.

"The MLA will not become a hurdle in its restoration. The day the Government of India restores statehood to J&K, I will very next day ask the Lieutenant Governor to dissolve the Assembly. Don't try to intimidate us. Statehood is our right, and we demand it," Omar added.

His father and National Conference (NC) President, Farooq Abdullah, also weighed in, claiming J&K's statehood was revoked because "we were a Muslim state."

"What other reason could there be for snatching of J&K's statehood? Are we enemies of India? We chose to join India when Pakistan was right next to us," Abdullah told reporters in South Kashmir. On August 5, 2019, the Centre scrapped J&K's special status, bifurcating the region into two Union Territories—Jammu and Kashmir (with legislature) and Ladakh (without legislature). Omar was sworn in as the first chief minister of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir in October, last year. Farooq Abdullah recently warned of approaching the Supreme Court if there is further delay in restoring statehood, stressing that it is vital for regional development and governance in J&K.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **SRI. M. VIJAYAN @ VIJAYAN MULAVARA,** AADHAAR No.274540489635 aged 83 years, S/o K.K.Nair, Residing at No.14, PRABHA NILAYAM,15th Cross, 7th Main, Subbaraju Layout, Lakkasandra, Bangalore South, Adugodi, Bangalore, KARNATAKA-560 030. represents to me that original Sale Deed - Registered as Document No.3859/1974-75 of Bk-I, Volume 286 at pages 106-109 Registered on dated 25-02-1975 Registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayanagar, Bangalore in respect of the property No.45 SITUATED AT SUBBARAJU LAYOUT, LAKKASANDRA EXTENSION has been lost/misplaced In this regard the said **M. Vijayan @ Vijayan Mulavara** has filed a lost Report vide No.1663652/2025 Dated 21-06-2025 Now I wish to sell the Property to a Prospective Buyer Hence Any person/s having any objection/s, claims, share, maintenance, demand, interest, possession, authority whatsoever manner may claim their objections if any with documentary evidence **within 7 (seven) days** from the date of this public notice

V. PADMANABHA NAIDU
V.P. BHARGAV, Advocates
No.127/34, 7th Cross, 4th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-50 027.
Date:25-06-2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCUMENT LOST

This is to inform the general public that My client Mr.M.Jayachandra Raju, Aged about 57 years, S/o.Sri.Venkatraju, office at No.42, 8th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore-560003, has lost original sale deed dated:05-03-2015, executed by Mr.Dinesh Kaushik, S/o.Rameshwar dayal Kaushik, in his favour, vide Document No.BSG-1-07578/2014-15 of Book-1, stored in C.D.No.BSGD268, registered in the office of Sub-Rgistrar, Basavanagudi, in respect of Schedule property. For which my client has filed complaint before Karnataka state police in lost Article Report no. 1668905 dated: 24-6-2025, all the efforts made by my client to trace out the same proved futile. If any person/s find the said original document shall kindly hand over the undersigned Advocate or any person/s having any right, title, interest, claim and ownership over the schedule property, the same may be informed to the undersigned Advocate, in person along with the documentary proof within 15 days from the date of publication, failing which, it is presumed that my client is at liberty to deal with the same in any manner as he deems fit and for his future transactions/dealings in respect of the schedule property, the certified copy of the above said document shall be considered as Absolute sale deed. Any claim made after the stipulated period, will not be valid and the finder will be suitable rewarded on return of the original document.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of Site.No.200, in SMILEE NISARGA LAYOUT, formed in the land measuring 3042 sft Katha No150200101800500047 situated at Marasuru Agrahara, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded on the, **East by:** site No.199 & 198 in Sy.No.13/3, **West by:** 12 m wide Road, **North by: Private Property** & **South by:** Site No.201 in Sy.No.13/3.

Sri. N.V.SUBBAREDDY, Advocate,
No.49, 1st Floor, opp. 12th Cross,
Cubbonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560 002.
Mobile No: 9448985354.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is given to the General public that my client bank is going to sanction a loan in favor of borrower by name **Smt. Meenakshi W/o Somashekhar .K.S,** residing at #19, 7th Cross, 1st Main Road, Channakeshava Nagar, Bangalore South Taluk, Electronics City, Bangalore District, Karnataka-560100, with respect to below mentioned schedule property. As per the information borrower he has lost or misplaced original Hakkupathra dated:02-04-1981, issued by Bangalore South Tahsildar in favour of **Sri.K.S.Somashekhara S/o Sugunashetty.**

SCHEDULE: All the piece and parcel of the bearing Survey No.40, 41 and 42 and Site No.19, measuring East to West: 40 feet, North to South: 15 feet and total site measuring 600 sq feet is situated at Singasandra Village, Beguru Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk is belonging to: **Smt. Meenakshi W/o Somashekhar .K.S** And bounded on East by: Road, West by: Site No.28, North by: Site No.20 and South by: The Remaining property of Site No.19 is among the same property.

Above mentioned original registered Hakkupathra same has been lost or misplaced by the borrower by name **Smt. Meenakshi W/o Somashekhar .K.S** Hence if anybody having any title, interest and right in any manner over the above said document in respect of the above schedule property may intimate the same in writing with documentary evidence to the undersigned within **7 (Seven) days** from the date of this publication, failing which my client shall proceed with the loan transaction as not claimed.

S.H Singaiah, Advocate
No.121, Eshwar Plaza, 3rd Floor, 4th Main, 1st Stage, West of Chord Road, ManjunathaNagara, Bangalore-560010. **Mob. 9844964791**

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE VI ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE AT BANGALORE [CCH-11]

O.S NO.4241/2023

Between, Bank of Baroda
(Erst While Vijaya Bank) MSRIT Branch, Gokul, Mathikere, Bangalore-560054
Represented by its Chief Manager **Mr. Omkar P Bilki** S/o P.C. Bilki, Aged about 53 Years.
...**Plaintiff**
AND
Mr. Karra Poulu Raju & Others
...**Defendant**

SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT No.3 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20(1) OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 1908

Mr. Sathish B, Aged about 35 Years
No.21, Devappa Layout, Jalahalli,
Ramachandrapura, Bangalore-560013

Whereas the plaintiff instituted a suit against you and other defendants for recovery of **Rs.2,80,341/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighty Thousand Three Hundred and Forty One only)** as on **29.11.2021** along with current and further interest @ 12.75% p.a., with a penal interest @ of 2% p.a., from **29.11.2021** to till the date of realization.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble court on **31.07.2025** at **6 A.M** in person or through the Advocate/pleader to answer the question To the same, failing which the suit will be heard and determined as Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court, this **11th day of June 2024.**

By Order of Court,
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff
Padmashree M,
No. 29, 3rd Cross, Vinayaka Layout,
Bhoopasandra, Bangalore -560 094.

IN THE COURT OF THE II ADDL. CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE AT BANGALORE

C.Misc.No. 571/2025

BETWEEN : 1) SHIVANNA S/o Late Muniyellappa, Aged about 54 years, R/at. No. 176, Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, **2) MANJUNATH** S/o Late Muniyellappa, Aged about 48 years, R/at. No. 176, Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru ...**PETITIONERS**
AND: THE COMMISSIONER REGISTRAR OF BIRTH AND DEATHS, B.B.M.P. BENGALURU. ...**RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioners named above have filed the above petition seeking direction to the BBMP Registrar of Birth and Death, at Bengaluru, to Register the date of death of the Father of the petitioner No.1 and 2, by the deceased named as **Muniyellappa, as he was died on 21.05.2004 at No.176, Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru.**

Any person interested and having any objection in this matter, may appear before the IInd Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate court at Bengaluru at **11.00 AM on 18.07.2025** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 24.06.2025.
The same will be published two News papers i.e Indian Express

By Order of the Court, Sheristeda, Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore
Advocate for Petitioner :

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby notified that the Original Confirmation Letter dated 07.09.1938, issued by the Municipality of Bangalore City in the name of Mr.A.Mariyappa, son of Mr.A.Makalappa, Retired Amildar, in respect of premises bearing Municipal No.123, situated at Gandhinagar, Bangalore, has been lost/misplaced and not traceable and that this Public Notice is issued on behalf of my clients Mrs.Shakunthala.B.R, Saroja.B.R., Shabari Arun Shetty and Gayatri Rajashekar.

Any person or persons being in possession of the said original document shall return **within 7 (SEVEN) Days** from the date of publication of this notice with the undersigned.

N. JAIPRAKASH RAO, VEENA RAO
N. ASHOK KUMAR
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Date: 24.06.2025

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E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

E-Procurement Tender is invited for supply of 33 KV CT PT Sets of Various Ratios TN-2063 (UBN JVV2526GLOB00244) and 11 KV CT PT Sets of Various Ratios TN-2062 (UBN JVV2526GLOB00243).

Details regarding Quantity, Tender cost, Earnest Money, Schedule date of tender opening for aforesaid tenders are available on our website at **www.energy.rajasthan.gov.in/jdvvnl** and also at **http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in.**

Raj.Samwad/C/25/4829 **SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (MM&C)**

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Short Term E-Tender Enq. No.7713/P-3/EMP-13052 Dated 24.06.2025

Dy.Chief Engineer/ Headquarter (Procurement Cell-3) GGSSTP, Roopnagar invites E-Tender ID No. 2025_POWER_143155_1 for the Procurement of Spares for Chicago Make Air Compressor Model: HN2T-180LP & HX2T 60 NP installed at DFAH system at GGSSTP, Rupnagar. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from **24.06.25/ 03:00 PM** onwards.

NOTE: Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX-IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties Mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Bank of India,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of below mentioned amount/s. The details of Borrower/s/ Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date, Time & EMD amount are mentioned below:

Sr. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/s/ Guarantor/s/Mortgagor (s)	Description of Immovable Property With Known Encumberances	Branch Name Account No; Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	Reserve Price EMD Amount	Status of Possession (Symbolic/Physical)	Property Inspection Time
1.	**1. Mrs. Ramadevi C,** C/o CK Raju, No 37,1st Main, 16th Main, GH Layout, LIC Colony, Byrasandra, Bangalore 560011 **2. Mr. C K Raju,** S/o C Balaram, No 22 Ground Floor, 4th Cross, LIC Colony 1st Main, Jayanagar, 3rd Block East, Bangalore South- 560041 **3. M/s Sri Sai Lalitha Traders,** No 12/9, old no 1219, No 4 and 5, G H Layout, 16th main, 2nd Cross, LIC Colony, Byrasandra, Jayanagar East, Bangalore Urban 560011 **4. Mrs. Ramadevi,** No 22,4th Cross, 1st Main Road, LIC colony, 3rd Block Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011 **5. Ms. Sai Swetha C,** No 37, 1st main, 2nd Cross, LIC Colony, Jayanagar 3rd block, Bangalore South 560011 **6. Mr. Venkatesh C,** C/O C K Raju No. 37 1st main 16th main GH Layout LIC Colony Byrasandra Bangalore 560011	All the part and parcel of the immovable property consisting of residential appartment bearing flat no 304, 2nd floor, "Devi Grand View" Apartment, Site No. 19 & 20 in BBMP Khata No. 998/24/1/19 & 20 situated in Sarakkikere village, Uttarahalli Hobli Taluk, Bangalore Urban District-560078, measuring 1200 sq ft super built up area of together with one car parking and undivided share of 223 sq. ft. in apartment land having equal rights in common area of the apartment, owned by Mrs. Ramadevi C, Mr. Venkatesh C and Ms. Sai Swetha C **Bounded on: On the North by:** Corridor, **On the South by:** Flat No. 303, **On the East by:** Open to sky, On the West by: Flat No. 301	**Branch : Asset Recovery Branch** **Account No: 849075110000343, 849030150000002** **Rs.86,11,286.67 (Rupees Eighty-Six Lakhs Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Six Paisa Six Seven)** along with further interest thereon from 25-07-2024 for Housing Loan (849075110000343) and Cash Credit loan (849030150000002) along with costs and other charges	08-08-2025 between 11.00 am to 05.00 pm	**Reserve Price :** Rs.61,32,000/- **EMD :** Rs.6,13,200/-	Physical	10.00 AM To 4.00 PM Contact Details of Authorised Officer +91 98504 77529

To the best knowledge and information available with the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on the property referred above. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of the property and to inspect & satisfy them. The auction will be online E-Auction Sale/Bidding and shall be done only through "Online Electronic Bidding" process through the website **https://www.baanknet.com** For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **https://www.baanknet.com** or **https://www.bankofindia.co.in/tenders**.

The Authorised Officer has the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any bid or adjourn/postpone/cancel the sale/modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice and assigning any reason.

Date & Time of E-auction: **08-08-2025 between 11.00 am to 05.00 pm** (with unlimited extension of 10 minutes if bidding continues till sale is concluded)

Date : 23.06.2025 | Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer**

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MEGA E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 30.07.2025

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is" and "As is what is" basis on 30.07.2025** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **29.07.2025 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr. Pushpa Raj,** S/o Mr. K Kannan, **(2) Mrs. Amudha D,** W/o Mr. Pushpa Raj, **Both are addressed at :** E-201, GR Lavendra Aaprtments, Near M S Ramaih City, Kothanur, J P Nagara, Bengaluru-560076. **Loan A/c No.:** **TL A/c No. 9227001600021501**	**Rs. 1,02,49,448.26/- [Rupees One Crore Two Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty Eight And Paisa Twenty Six Only]** **01.06.2025**	**07.05.2025 & Constructive**	All that part and parcel of **residential property** bearing **Site No.231 (Northern side) measuring 1200 sq ft, Assessment No.88, V P Khata No.956,** situated at **"Sai Enclave",** Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, South Taluk having Municipal No.231/A/950/88, BBMP Ward No.195, Konnanakunte, Bengaluru-560061 to **Mr. Pushpa Raj and Mrs. Amudha D.** Boundaries of Property as per document: East by : Road, West by: Remaining portion of same property, North by: Property bearing Site No.232, South by: Remaining portion of same property bearing No.231. **Location of the property:12.880536'N : 77.588590'E**	**Rs. 2,57,03,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Fifty Seven Lakh And Three Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 25,70,300/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Seventy Thousand And Three Hundred only)**	**01.00 PM to 01.20 PM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Bengaluru – J P Nagar 7th Phase A/c No: 9223500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000922**
2	**(1) M/s Astalakshmi Enterprises, Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Muniraj C, Addressed at :** No.61, 3rd Cross, 1st Stage, AGB Layout, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru-560086, **(2) Mr. Muniraj C,** S/o Chinnanna B.Y, **(3) Mrs. Veena V,** W/o Muniraj C, **No.2 & 3 are addressed at :** No.61, 3rd Cross, 1st Stage, AGB Layout, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru-560086. **Loan A/c No.:** **PSOD A/c No.1127000600065001**	**Rs. 40,42,934.45 [Rupees Forty Lakh Forty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Four and Paisa Forty Five Only]** **01.06.2025**	**13.02.2024 & Constructive**	All that part and parcel of the **Residential vacant site** bearing **No.208, measuring 1500 Sq.ft [East to West – 30 feet and North to South – 50 feet],** carved out of land bearing Sy.No's 9, 10/1, 10/2, 10/3, 10/4, 11/1, 11/2, 12/1, 12/2, 13, 14/1, 14/2, 14/3, 14/4, 14/6, 16/1, 16/2, 16/3, 17, 18, 19, 21/1, 21/2, 21/3, 21/4, 21/5, 21/6, 22, 49 and 50, situated at 2nd Main Road, 3rd Stage in private layout formed by Athmeeya Geleyara Balaga Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha Ltd, Chikkasandra Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. Muniraj C. Boundaries of property as per Document : East by :** Site No.209, **West by:** Site No.207, **North by :** C.A Site, **South by:** Road. **Property Location: Latitude & Longitude: 13.07416, 77.50548**	**Rs. 1,44,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore And Forty Four Lakh Only)**	**Rs. 14,40,000/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakh And Forty Thousand Only)**	**12.00 P.M to 12.20 P.M**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Bengaluru – Mahalakshmipuram A/c No: 1123500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000112**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8/Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Auction Notice".

The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **30.07.2025** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **29.07.2025**) from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India – 500016, **Contact No. :** 8885035382, E-mail : **contact@auctionbazaar.com and disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 16.06.2025
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer,
Karnataka Bank Ltd.

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, BALANGIR (R&B) CIRCLE: BALANGIR

Email- sepwdbalangir@gmail.com

e - Procurement Notice

BID IDENTIFICATION No: CCE(R&B)BGR /06/ 2025-26

B-226 Letter No.1216 // Dtd.19.06.2025

The **Chief Engineer, Balangir (R&B) Circle, Balangir** on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bid in double cover system in **ONLINE MODE** for the construction of works detailed in the table below from "B" "A" & "Special" Class Contractors registered with the State Governments and contractors of equivalent Grade/ Class registered with Central Government/ MES/ Railways for execution of Civil works. The proof of registration from the appropriate authority shall be enclosed along with the bid.

1. Nature of Work : Building work
2. No. of tender : Building work - 9 Nos.
3. Tender Cost : Rs.10,000/-
4. Class of Contractor : "B" "A" & "Special" Class
5. Date & Time of sale & Receipt of Bids : From Dt.01.07.2025, 05.00 P.M. to Dt.15.07.2025 up to 05.00 P.M.
6. Date of opening Bid : Dt.16.07.2025 at 11.00 A.M.
7. The bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: http://tendersorissa.gov.in. All future corrigendums will be available on ONLINE MODE only.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer,
Balangir (R&B) Circle, Balangir

OIPR-34131/11/0016/2526

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that our Client is intending to purchase the portion of Schedule Property mentioned below from its owners, Ravi Kumar D.A, Asha Rani .R @ Asharani Madhu & Poornima @ Usha Rani R, Confirming Party, Smita Kelton Shah, all are represented by their GPA Holder M/s. Navajyothi Constructions, represented by its Managing Partners- K.Murali Babu and K.Chandrakanth, having its Office at No.3, Navajyothi Complex, 5th Floor, 13th Cross, Akshya Nagar, T.C.Palya Main Road, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-560016.

It is represented by the Owners and Confirming Party that, owners are the sole and absolute owners of the Schedule Property and it is free from all encumbrances.

If any person/s who claim/s any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in respect of Schedule Property and/or any objections of any nature to the sale transaction should lodge such claims and/or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within **Seven days** hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and our Client would proceed to complete the sale transaction with aforesaid Owner subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Agricultural land in Sy.No.41/9, (Old Sy No.41/3) measuring about 25 guntas situated at Horamavu Agara Village, K. R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on the: East : Sy.No.55, West : Sy.No.41/3, North : Sy.No.41/2, South : Sy.No.53/1A

Adinath Narde and Revathy Associates,
Advocates, No.101, First Floor, "The Presidency",
Old No. 1, New No.82, St. Mark's Road,
Bangalore-560 001, Mobile : 9448385586
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Bangalore
24.06.2025

THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD.,

No.1, 'UTHUNGA', Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.
Phone: 080-26983700, 26983722, 22976600, 22976662
E-mail: recoverycell@karnatakaapex.com

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice Dated **19.02.2025** calling upon the Borrowers; **1) Karnataka State Beedi Workers Multipurpose Co-Operative Society Ltd., Represented by its President, Sri Venkatesh. V.** Regd. Office at: Survey No. 205, Beedi Workers Colony, Kommaghatta Road, Bandemutt, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru - 560060. **2) Sri Venkatesh. V., President, Karnataka State Beedi Workers Multipurpose Co-Operative Society Ltd.,** R/at: # 64, 14th Main, Opp: Water Tank, Chandra Layout, Bengaluru - 560046. **3) Sri Mohammed Yusuf, Vice-President, Karnataka State Beedi Workers Multipurpose Co-Operative Society Ltd.,** R/at: No. 178, 'C' Block, Beedi Workers Colony, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bengaluru - 560060. **4) Sri Abdul Gafar Ali, Secretary, Karnataka State Beedi Workers Multipurpose Co-Operative Society Ltd.,** R/at: Survey No. 205, Beedi Workers Colony, Kommaghatta Road, Bandemutt, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru - 560060, **Also at:** No. 21, 1st Main, 1st 'A' Cross, Bandemutt, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bengaluru - 560060, **Guarantors; 5) Sri Bhaskar, M.,** Flat No. SC, 2nd Floor, Matha Tanisha Apartments, 3rd Main, 4th Cross, Sri Vajapayee Nagar, Chikkallasandra, Bengaluru - 560061 to repay the amount mentioned in the said Notice being **Rs.62,97,233/- (Rupees Sixty Two Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Three Only) as on 08.01.2025** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest along with the cost and charges **within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice are hereby given to the Borrowers and Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, on this the **24th Day of June of the year 2025.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Chandra Layout Branch** for an amount of **Rs.62,97,233/- (Rupees Sixty Two Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Three Only) as on 08.01.2025** together with future interest thereon at contractual rate of interest and costs and charges till the date of realization.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Sy.No. 205, measuring 11 Acres, 13 Guntas, out of which office measuring 100 feet x 50 feet , totally measuring 5000 Sq. feet, part of in Sy.No. 205, situated at Beedi Workers Colony, Kommaghatta Road, Bandemutt, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore Taluk, Bangalore - 560060 with Office building and bounded as follows: **East by :** 15 feet Road (2nd Cross, Wide Road), **West by :** Existing approach to 1st Main Road, **North by :** Masjid-E-Oman, **South by :** Remaining Vacant site measuring 35x100 and Government Urdu Primary and High School.

Date : 24-06-2025
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,

Karnataka Bank Ltd.

Your Family Bank. Across India.

Asset Recovery Management Branch,
1st Floor, FKCCI Building, Kempegowda Road, Bengaluru-560009.
Phone: 080-22955928(Gen)/22955929(AGM)
E-Mail: blr.arm@ktkbank.com
Website: https://karnatakabank.com
CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

MEGA E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 30.07.2025

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is" and "As is what is" basis on 30.07.2025** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **29.07.2025 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mrs. Manjula P** W/o Late. Ramesh S **(2) Mr. Shashidhar S** S/o Late. Shamanna B M **(3) Mrs. Kavitha S** W/o Shashidhar K **(4) Miss. Bindushree R** D/o Late. Ramesh S **(5) Miss. Komala R** D/o Late. Ramesh S **All are addressed at: No.** 229, "Vinay Nilaya", 10th Cross, Bellandur, Marathahalli Post, Ring Road, Bengaluru-560103 **No.2 and 3 also at:** No.202, Home Space Hampton Court Apartment, Bellandur, Bengaluru-560103. (No.4 Miss. Bindushree.R. and No.4, Mis Komala R alongwith No.1 Mrs. Manjula.P., are Legal heirs of Late Ramesh.S. who are the borrower to the afore said credit facility and hence are proper and necessary parties to the notice) **Loan A/c No.:** **TL A/c No.9227001600016601**	**Rs. 1,73,39,796.82 [Rupees One Crore Seventy Three Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Six And Paisa Eighty Two Only]** **15.06.2025**	**19.10.2024** **Constructive**	All that part and parcel of **Commercial Property** measuring **(15,360 sq ft as per records) 12,016 Sq.ft. bearing Khatha No.1068/1147/72/1 (Old Bellandur VP Khatha No.1147/72/1),** bearing Portion of the converted land in Sy.No.72/1 of Bellandur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, within the BBMP limits, Bengaluru-560103 together with commercial building constructed thereon belonging to **Mr.Ramesh S (since deceased represented by legal heirs) and Mr.Shashidhar S. Boundaries of Property as per Document**: **East :** 30 feet Road, **West :** Private Property (Land of Krishnappa), **North:** Ring Road, **South:** Portion of Sy.No.72/1. **Property Location: Latitude & Longitude: 12.926009'N, 77.677310'E**	**Rs. 22,26,50,000/- (Rupees Twenty Two Crore Twenty Six Lakh Fifty Thousand Only).**	**Rs. 2,22,65,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Two Lakh Sixty Five Thousand Only)**	**1.00 P.M to 1.20 P.M**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – J P Nagar 7th Phase A/c No. 9223500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000922**
2	**(1) M/s Sri Bhavith Enterprises, Represented by its Proprietor: Mr.Renuka Prasad S.R., Addressed at:** No.11, Somapura, Kengeri Hobli, Vidyapeetha Post, Banashankari 6th Stage, Bengaluru-560060, **(2) Mr.Renuka Prasad S.R,** S/o Rudrappa S, **(3) Mrs.Vedavathi S,** W/o Renuka Prasad S.R. **Both No.2 & No.3 are addressed at:** No.2052, 3rd Floor, 10th Cross, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560040. **Loan A/c No.:** **PSOD A/c No.0627000600108401**	**Rs. 47,78,957.85 [Rupees Forty Seven Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Seven and Paisa Eighty Five Only]** **01.06.2025**	**18.04.2024** **Constructive**	**Item No.1:** All that part and parcel of the Residential property bearing Khatha **No.44/71/13** (Old No.71/13 and prior to that 12/13), being the western portion of the property bearing Old Khatha No.71/13, measuring 1015 sq.ft. [East to West-29 feet and North to South -35 feet], with buidling constructed thereon, situated at Somapura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr.Renuka Prasad S.R. Boundaries of property as per Document:-** **East :** Property of S.R.Gangadharappa, **West :** Property of sons of Chikkarevanna, **North :** Property of Mr.Renuka Prasad S.R.bearing Khatha No.45/72/13A, **South :** Road. **Location of the property:12.87772339;N : 77.49695539;E**	**Rs. 52,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Two Lakh Only)**	**Rs. 5,20,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Twenty Thousand Only)**	**10.40 AM to 11.00 AM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Minerva Circle A/c No: 0623500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000062**
				Item No.2: All that part and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Khatha **No.45/72/13A** (Old No.72/13A and prior to that 12/13A), being the western portion of the property bearing Old Khatha No.72/13A, measuring 1450.00 Sq.ft. [East to West-29 ft, North to South -50 ft], situated at Somapura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr.Renuka Prasad S.R. Boundaries of property as per Document:- East :** Property of S.R.Gangadharappa, **West :** Property of sons of Chikkarevanna, **North :** Property of Mr.Ramaswamy, **South :** Property of Mr.Renuka Prasad S.R. **Location of the property:12.87771639;N : 77.49693239;E**	**Rs. 65,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Five Lakh Only)**	**Rs. 6,50,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)**	**11.00 AM to 11.20 AM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8/Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Auction Notice".

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Date : 18.06.2025
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer,
Karnataka Bank Ltd.

Don calls it 12-day war ahead of 'ceasefire'

Iran launched another attack on Israel, said it would cease attacks if Israel ended airstrikes

WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Donald Trump on Monday said the "12-day war" between Israel and Iran was set to end in a ceasefire, holding out the expected deal as validation for his strategic gamble of ordering US airstrikes on Iranian nuclear sites.

"It has been fully agreed by and between Israel and Iran that there will be a complete and total ceasefire," Trump posted on social media.

Iran's Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi said Iran would stop its attacks if Israel would. It's unclear what role Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Iran's leader, played in the talks. He had said on social media earlier Monday that Iran would not surrender. Israel has not publicly confirmed that it has agreed to end hostilities.

"As of now, there is no 'agreement' on any ceasefire or cessation of military operations," Araghchi posted on X. "However, provided that the Israeli regime stops its illegal aggression against the Iranian people no later than 4 am Tehran time, we have no intention to continue our response afterwards."

A ceasefire, if it culminates as Trump laid out, would be welcome news for the region and the world. But the situation in the Middle East remains far from stable and it's unclear how longer-term dynamics might be affected. The Israeli and US bombing of Iran certainly has slowed Iran's ability to enrich nuclear material but it might also have steeled Tehran's resolve to breakout toward a bomb.

Trump's announcement comes as he prepared to depart on Tuesday for the NATO summit in the Netherlands, where he will likely make the case that his mix of aggression and diplomacy has succeeded.

Never shy to suggest he deserves the Nobel Peace Price, Trump went so far as to give the conflict between Israel and Iran the name of the "12-day war," a title that seemed to reference the 1967 "Six Day War" in which Israel fought a group of Arab countries including Egypt, Jordan and Syria.

Later, Trump in another social media posting said that "Israel & Iran came to me, almost simultaneously, and said, 'peace!'"

"They have so much to gain, and yet, so much to lose if they stray from the road of righteousness & truth," Trump added. "The future for Israel & Iran is unlimited, & filled with great promise. God bless you both!"

As Trump described it, the ceasefire would start with Iran and then be joined by Israel 12 hours later, with the president writing that the respective sides would "remain peaceful and respectful." The phased-in ceasefire was set to begin Tuesday morning in Israel and Iran and culminate within 24 hours. But Iran launched another attack on Israel after 4 am local time in Tehran, the time Iran's foreign minister said Iran would cease its attacks if Israel ended their airstrikes.

"This is a war that could have gone on for years, and destroyed the entire Middle East, but it didn't, and never will!" Trump said.

The White House reposted Trump's announcement with a photo of the president holding a red hat that said "Trump was right about everything" in all capital letters *AP*

Israeli soldiers and rescue teams search for survivors amid the rubble of residential buildings destroyed by an Iranian missile strike that killed several people, in Beersheba, Israel on Tuesday moments after the ceasefire was announced | AP

Russia says ready to help settle the conflict

Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov says Moscow is ready to help settle the conflict between Israel and Iran, but will not act as a mediator. Lavrov spoke Tuesday in Moscow. He also asserted that there was no evidence Iran had been readying an attack on Israel before Israel attacked. The Kremlin has denied sidelining Iran.

Pak backs ceasefire, urges compliance

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs also said that Islamabad welcomes and supports efforts aimed at reviving dialogue and diplomacy in the region. "Pakistan believes that lasting peace and stability can only be achieved through strict adherence to the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter and by refraining from the use of force," the ministry said.

China can buy oil from Iran says Trump

Donald Trump has said in a social media post said that "China can now continue to purchase Oil from Iran," suggesting that the ceasefire would prevent the disruption of Iranian oil production. A 2024 report by the US Energy Information Administration contained estimates suggesting that roughly 80% to 90% of the oil exported by Iran went to China.

OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF ENGINEER,
CANAL CIRCLE, BURLA, DIST- SAMBALPUR, PIN-768017
Email:- aceccburla12@gmail.com

No. CCB-W-1226 / Dated. 23.06.2025

Corrigendum to e-Procurement Notice No.ACECCB-01/2025-26 & Bid Identification No.ACECCB-01/2025-26

A-334: In partial Modification to the e-Procurement Notice No.ACECCB-01/2025-26 published on dated 23.06.2025 under Bid Identification No.ACECCB-01/2025-26 by Additional Chief Engineer, Canal Circle, Burla, it is to notify the following changes.

The class of contractor previously mentioned as **"A" & "B" class** is now changed to **"A" Class.**

All other terms & Conditions remain unchanged.

Sd/- Additional Chief Engineer, Canal Circle, Burla

OIPR- 32460/11/0015/2526

WESTERN RAILWAY
Material Management Department
VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY
E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/38/2025 Date 20.06.2025

S.N.	Short Description of items	Quantity	T.O.D.
321	High reach pantograph	271 Nos	16-Jul-25
322	Computerised Pre Printed Pre-Perforated Unreserved Tickets	484300000 Nos	21-Jul-25
323	Anti Vibration Mounting Pad (AVM)	8506 Nos	23-Jul-25
324	Kit for Isolating Cock	1628 Set	23-Jul-25
325	Distributor valve C3W.	215 Nos	25-Jul-25

CORRIGENDUM

Please read the due date as **"30.06.2025" for the tender notice no S-28-2025 dated: 13-05-2025 at Sr. No. 227**

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website **www.ireps.gov.in and wr.indianrailways.gov.in.** 0304

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri. Marappa & others** all are residing at Ward No.17, Dasarabeedi, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District & others have filed the above petition for the death certificate of one **late. Chikkananjappa S/o late. Munishamappa was died on 03-02-1997** at Ward No. 17, Dasarabeedi, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District if any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge and J.M.F.C at Devanahalli and the date hearing **on 8.9.2025 at 11.00 A.M in Cri Mis. No.304/2025.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli

D.M. Eranna, Advocate

IN THE COURT OF THE I ADDL. SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE AT BANGALORE RURAL G & WC. No.54/2025

BETWEEN:

SRI. GIRISHA S.K. son of Krishne gowda aged about 33 years No. 261/1, 3rd Main Road Duo light layout Nyanappanahalli Road Begur Bangalore-560 068. **.....PETITIONERS**

AND:

SMT. SUNANDA Daughter of Somegowda aged about 58 years Sri. SOMEGOWDA Aged 63 years Both are r/a, No. 612, shambulingeshwara nilaya Vidhyanagara, near Ganeshnagar Channarayapatna town & taluk Hassan dist-562160.

3. M/S. AMETEK INSTRUMENTS INDIA PVT LTD Having office at Bhoruka Tech park 4th floor, Hoody, ITPL main road Mahadevapura, K.R. Puram hobli Bengaluru-560 048 **..... RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above named petitioner has filed a petition before the Court under section 25 of Guardian and Wards Act 1890, r/w section 7(1) (G) of the Family court act, seeking Judgment and Decree of permanent custody of the Petitioner's minor daughter TEJAL. Gaged 6 years, and deposit all benefits of late. B.S. Harshada in favour of TEJAL.G till she attains majority in any Nationalized bank, and other relief against the Respondents no.1, 2 & 3.

Claimants if any is hereby called to appear in this Court either in person or by pleader duly instructed **on 30-07-2025 at 11 A.M.** inform to show cause against the plaintiff failing wherein the appearance will be heard and considered defendants other than the above Respondents as nil and matter will be adjudicated as no claimants/defendants other than the above defendant no.1, 2 & 3.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Court on this.**19th June 2025**

By order of the court
Chief Ministerial Officer
Senior Civil Judge Court,
Bengaluru Rural Dist. Bengaluru
L.K. MANJUNATHA
Advocate
No. 46/3, 3rd floor, 4th cross, Brundavan hotel complex, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram Bangalore-560003. 9448587595

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

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DEMAND NOTICE [Section 13(2)]

Notice to Borrower/ Guarantor/Mortgagor

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank, Uttarahalli Branch** under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2)of Chapter-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notice/s on below mentioned date, calling upon the following borrower/s/ Guarantor/s /Legal heirs of borrowers to repay the dues within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

Name of the Borrowers: 1) Mr. Ranganath M., No. 33, 100 feet Road, BSK III Stage, 2nd Phase, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560 085. **2) Mrs. Shobha,** No. 33, 100 feet Road, BSK III Stage, 2nd Phase, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560 085.

Schedule A : (Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower)

Sl. No	Loan Number	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned
1	2778619000532	Housing Loan	10.09.2005	Rs.13,60,000.00

Total Liability as on 23.06.2025 **Rs.3,77,564.41** (Rupees Three Lakhs Seventy Seven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Four and Paise Forty One Only) + interest together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Date of NPA: 07.10.2021 **Demand Notice Date:24.06.2025**

Schedule B : All that piece and parcel of the property (Vacant Site number 25, Katha Number 10/10) measurin 28 by 40, located at Kathriguppa Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Hali Ward No. 54, Kathriguppa, Vivekanandngar, Bangalore, bounded on: East by : Property of Smt. Nagini, West by : Road, North by : Road, 2, South by : Property of Sri Gurappa.

Name of Title holder: Sri Ranganatha M

The above borrowers committed default of repayment of loans as above and the loans are duly secured by way of mortgage of property described as above and were classified as Non Performing Assets on various dates mentioned as above. The Bank issued Registered to all the above borrower/Guarantors under Section 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, (SARFAESI Act) calling upon them to repay the outstanding amount. We now call upon to pay the above mentioned liability with further interest and cost accrued till date within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which, Bank will be constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as per Section 13(4) (a) to (b) of SARFAESI act 2002 against the secured assets given in the schedule above. The above borrower/s in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the above properties and restrained from dealing in term of Section 13 (13) of SARFAESI Act 2002 and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for the accounts mentioned above with further interest and cost, expenses thereon.

Place : Bangalore **Sd/-**
Date : 24.06.2025 **Authorised Officer Canara Bank**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

Regional Office Bengaluru South,
First Floor, 19 South End Road
Basavanagudi Bengaluru 560004
Email id: recblrro2@canarabank.com

DEMAND NOTICE [Section 13(2)]

NOTICE TO LEGAL HEIR OF THE DECEASED BORROWER/ DECEASED PARTNER OF THE BORROWER PARTNERSHIP FIRM

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank, South End Circle Branch** under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2)of Chapter-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued Demand Notice/s on below mentioned date, calling upon the following borrower/s/ Guarantor/s /Legal heirs of borrowers to repay the dues within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

Name of the Legal heirs of Borrowers: 1) Smt. Shanthi N., W/o Late Nageswara Rao, No. 902, 12th Block, Montana, Unitech Heritege Tower, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560 064. **2) Sri Shyama Krishna Sali** S/o. Late Nageswara Rao, No. 902, 12th Block, Montana, Unitech Heritege Tower, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560 064.

Schedule A : (Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower)

Sl. No	Loan Number	Nature of Loan/ Limit	Date of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned
1	2736669017313	Housing Loan	09.09.2025	Rs. 2,50,000.00
2	2736667017312	Housing Loan	09.09.2025	Rs. 7,50,000.00

Total Liability as on 20.06.2025 **Rs.17,67,192.67** (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety Two and Paise Sixty Seven Only) + interest together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Date of NPA: 09.05.2014 **Demand Notice Date:23.06.2025**

Schedule B : Property bearing Residential Apartment/ Flat Number 902, on the 9th Floor, 12th Block, in the residential building known as Montana in Heritage, Towers, having super built up area measuring 1300 sq ft. constructed on the property bearing Survey Number 43/1 & 2,78/1 & 2, 79/1 & 2, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560 064 alongwith 337 sq.ft. of undivided share, right, title and interest in aforesaid property along with one covered car parking space. Boundaries : East by : Kenchenahally Village boudnary, West by : Bangalore Doddaballapur Road, North by : Central Reserve Police Quarters, South by : Ali Estate Road.

Name of Title holder: Sri Nageswara Rao (late)

The above borrowers committed default of repayment of loans as above and the loans are duly secured by way of mortgage of property described as above and were classified as Non Performing Assets on various dates mentioned as above. The Bank issued Registered to all the above borrower/Guarantors under Section 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, (SARFAESI Act) calling upon them to repay the outstanding amount. We now call upon to pay the above mentioned liability with further interest and cost accrued till date within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which, Bank will be constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as per Section 13(4) (a) to (b) of SARFAESI act 2002 against the secured assets given in the schedule above. The above borrower/s in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the above properties and restrained from dealing in term of Section 13 (13) of SARFAESI Act 2002 and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for the accounts mentioned above with further interest and cost, expenses thereon.

Place : Bangalore **Sd/-**
Date : 23.06.2025 **Authorised Officer Canara Bank**

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Demand Notice under Sub Section 2 of Section 13 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 (hereinafter referred to as "The Act").

एच डी एफ सी बैंक
हम समझें आपकी दुनिया

We, HDFC BANK LTD hereinafter called as "Bank" do here by issue notice as under. Please take notice that you the following had availed a loan details of which have been mentioned hereunder. Towards the said loan you have created security interest in favour of the Bank on the property described hereunder by way of mortgage by depositing title deed. After availing the said loan, contrary to the contractual obligations you have defaulted repayment of the loan amount together with interest and other charges. Hence, your loan account has been categorized as Non Performing Asset. Therefore, the Bank hereby recall the entire loan and call upon you to pay total amount outstanding in your loan account together with interest and all other charges thereon (details of which have been mentioned hereunder), within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of this Notice. Further, You are hereby put on notice that in terms of Sec.13 (13) of the SARFAESI Act, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured asset detailed hereunder.

If you fail to repay the Bank the outstanding amount, the Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under Sec 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act. This notice is without prejudice to the Bank's right to initiate such other or further legal proceedings, as it deems necessary under any applicable provisions of law.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/ Co Borrowers	Description of property (Secured Assets)	A/c No & Amount	Date of NPA	Total Amount /Outstanding Amount
1.	**1.W S Motors,** Represented by its proprietor Mr. Wasim Khan, No 401, 2nd Sub Cross, Anepalya, Adugodi Post, Neelasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560030 **2.Mr. Wasim Khan,** Proprietor, No 401, 2nd Sub Cross, Anepalya, Adugodi Post, Neelasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560030 **Also at:**No 774, 2nd A Cross, Anepalya, Neelasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560047 **3.Ms. Yasmin Rafeez,** No 401, 2nd Sub Cross, Anepalya, Adugodi Post, Neelasandra,Bangalore, Karnataka – 560030 **Also at:** No 774, 2nd A Cross, Anepalya, Neelasandra, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560047	All the piece and parcel of residential property bearing No.15, having PID No. 69-29-15 (earlier being the Southern portion of house on Site No. 1 in Sy No 21/2 of Neelsandra Division 62/69 Bangalore City) situated at 2nd Cross, Presently known as 5th Cross, Anepalya, Neelsandra, BBMP Ward No. 116, Bangalore, measuring; East to west: Northern Side 40 Feet, Southern Side 40 Feet, North to South: Eastern Side 17 ½ Feet, Western Side 17 Feet and bounded on:**East By**: 20 Feet Road,**West By** : Private Property (Earlier Kullappas House),**North By:** Private Property (Earlier Remaining Portion of Same property) and **South By:** Private Property (Earlier Site No. 2).	**Loan A/c No. 87600982 Amount Rs. 30,40,000/-**	**20.02.2025**	**Rs.24,15,769/-** as on 26.05.2025
2	**1.Mr. Krishna Rama Krishna,**No.75, 5th Cross, 1st Main, Canara Bank Colony, ,Chandra Layout, Vijaya Nagar, Bangalore- 560 040. **2.Smt.Madhavi Basava,** No.75, 5th Cross, 1st Main, Canara Bank Colony, Chandra Layout, Vijaya Nagar, Bangalore- 560 040. **3. Mr. Krishna Rama Krishna,** No.760, 2nd Block, RT Nagar, Behind RT Nagar Telephone Exchange, Bangalore- 560 032. **4. Smt.Madhavi Basava,** No.760, 2nd Block, RT Nagar, Behind RT Nagar Telephone Exchange, Bangalore- 560 032.	All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Corporation No.760 (BDA No.760)., situated at 2nd Block, R.T. Nagar, Ward No.97, Bangalore and bounded on :East by:-Road, West by:- Property No.759, North by:- Property No.761, South by:- Road, And Measuring East to West:- 18.25 mtrs, North to South:-11.30 mtrs. In all:- 2222 Sq.ft.	**CBL Home Loan A/c No. 90150998 Amount Rs. 79,66,035/-**	**30.09.2016**	**Rs. 1,42,18,529/-** as on 29.05.2025

Place : Bangalore **Regd.Office : HDFC Bank Limited, HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel (West), Mumbai - 400013.** **Sd/- Authorised Officer, HDFC BANK Ltd.,**
Date : 17.06.2025

A Russian soldier prepares Giatsint-B 152 mm field gun to fire towards Ukrainian position on an undisclosed location in Ukraine | AP

RUSSIAN ATTACKS KILL 26 CIVILIANS IN UKRAINE

KYIV

RUSSIAN drones, missiles and artillery killed at least 26 civilians and injured more than 200 others in Ukraine, officials said Tuesday, as Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy sought guarantees at a NATO summit of further Western help for his country's efforts to repel Russia's invasion. Russian forces have relentlessly blasted civilian areas of Ukraine throughout the war, which is now in its fourth year. More than 12,000 Ukrainian civilians have been killed, according to the United Nations. Ukraine has also launched long-range drones against Russia, hitting residential areas.

Zelenskyy was set to meet Tuesday with Western leaders attending a NATO summit in The Hague, Netherlands. He is keen to lock in additional military support for Ukraine's fight against Russia's bigger army, as recent direct peace talks have delivered no progress on a possible settlement. Key US military commitments to Ukraine left over from the Biden administration are expected to run out within months, according to analysts, and there is uncertainty over whether US President Donald Trump is willing to provide more. A Russian ballistic missile attack on Dnipro hit multiple civilian sites in the central Ukrainian city around midday Tuesday, killing 17 people and injuring more than 200 others, officials said. "The number of casualties is constantly being updated," Dnipro's regional administration head Serhii Lysak wrote on Telegram.

In the nearby town of Samar, an attack killed two people and injured 14, he said.

The barrage damaged 19 schools, 10 kindergartens, a vocational school, a music school and a social welfare office, as well as eight medical facilities, according to Dnipro Mayor Borys Filatov. Schools are closed for the summer break. Blast hits train with 500 aboard; mourning declared Wednesday. *AP*

Israel forces, drones kill 44 waiting for aid as toll tops 56,000 in Gaza

DEIR AL-BALAH

ISRAELI forces and drones opened fire toward hundreds of Palestinians waiting for aid in separate incidents in southern and central Gaza early Tuesday, killing at least 44, witnesses and hospitals said, as health authorities announced the number of Palestinians killed in the war has risen above 56,000.

The new food distribution sites run by an American contractor, with US and Israeli government support, have been plagued by scenes of violence and chaos since opening last month.

Palestinian witnesses and health officials say Israeli forces have repeatedly opened fire on crowds heading to the sites for desperately needed food, killing hundreds in recent weeks. The military says it has fired warning shots at people it said approached its forces in a suspicious manner while going to the sites.

In central Gaza, three witnesses told The Associated Press that Israeli forces opened fire as people advanced east toward aid trucks south of Wadi Gaza.

"It was a massacre," said Ahmed Halawa. He said tanks and drones fired at people, "even as we were fleeing. Many people were either martyred or wounded."

Hossam Abu Shahada said drones were flying over the area, watching the crowds, then there was gunfire from tanks and drones as people were moving eastward. He described a "chaotic and bloody" scene as people tried to escape.

Israel's military said it was reviewing the incident, which took place near the Netzarim corridor, a road that separates northern and southern Gaza.

The Awda hospital in the urban Nuseirat refugee camp, which received the victims, confirmed 25 deaths and said 146 others were wounded. *AP*

Hamam Al-Farani sits with his sister and relatives as their father's body, is prepared for burial at Gaza's Shifa hospital | AP

WAR WATCH
ISRAEL-GAZA: DAY 628
TOLL SO FAR
56,077

Market Watch

MARKET				GOLD				SILVER				FOREX	
158.32 ▲	Sensex	82,055.11		₹1,470 ▼	24 carat (10 gm)	₹99,370		₹1,000 ▼	1 kg	₹109,000		Dollar	86.10
72.45 ▲	Nifty	25,044.35		₹1,350 ▼	22 carat (10 gm)	₹91,100		₹10 ▼	10 gm	₹1,090	▲	Euro	100.03

● Brent crude was trading at $67.89 a barrel as of 8:18 pm IST ● Gold, silver demand heads southwards ● Derivatives trade indicates positive sentiment

Oil prices tumble below $70 after Israel-Iran ceasefire

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

OIL prices dropped below $70 a barrel following US President Donald Trump's announcement of a ceasefire agreement between Israel and Iran. Global oil benchmark Brent Crude — which had surged more than 13% after the escalation between the two countries — was trading at $67.89 a barrel, while WTI (West Texas Intermediate) was at $65.05 a barrel as of 8:18 IST.

The 12-day-long conflict appeared to come to an end after Trump declared the ceasefire on Truth Social, describing it as "complete and total." He stated that Iran would begin the ceasefire, followed by Israel twelve hours later, with a formal end to the conflict marked after 24 hours. "During each ceasefire phase, the other side will remain peaceful and respectful," he added.

However, Iran denied that any agreement had been reached, though it indicated a pause in military operations.

"As of now, there is no 'agreement' on any ceasefire or cessation of military operations. However, provided that the Israeli regime stops its illegal aggression against the Iranian people no later than 4 am. Tehran time, we have no intention to continue our response afterwards," said Iran's foreign minister Seyed Abbas Araghchi in a social media post.

The conflict, which broke out on June 13, 2025, had caused oil prices to spike from around $64–65 per barrel to $74–75 per barrel due to fears of supply disruptions in the Middle East—responsible for roughly a third of global oil production.

Though no major oil infrastructure was significantly damaged during the escalation, there were concerns about potential blockages of key maritime choke points—particularly the Strait of Hormuz, which handles about 20% of global crude and 25% of LNG (liquefied natural gas) shipments. The Strait is the main exit route from the Persian Gulf for oil exports from Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Kuwait, Qatar, Iraq, and Iran, and represents a large portion of the world's spare production capacity.

Amid reports of a possible closure of the Strait of Hormuz, India's Petroleum Minister Hardeep Singh Puri reassured the public, stating, "India's oil marketing companies have supplies for several weeks and continue to receive energy through multiple routes. The government will take all necessary steps to ensure the stability of fuel supplies for our citizens."

Despite the ongoing tensions, the minister emphasized the continued availability of sufficient oil in global markets, especially from the Western Hemisphere.

"India has diversified its sources of supply. Out of the 5.5 million barrels of crude oil that India consumes daily, about 1.5 to 2 million barrels come through the Strait of Hormuz. We import roughly 4 million barrels via other routes. Our oil marketing companies have enough stock—most have up to three weeks of reserves, and one has 25 days' worth," he said.

Yellow metal loses shine; falls by ₹900 to ₹98,900/10 gram

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

GOLD prices tumbled ₹900 to ₹98,900 per 10 grams in the national capital on Tuesday because of the de-escalation in tensions in the Middle-East.

The expectations of a ceasefire between Iran and Israel reduced the precious metal's safe-haven appeal in the global market. The yellow metal of 99.9% purity had closed at ₹99,800 per 10 grams in the previous market session, while gold of 99.5% purity depreciated by ₹800 to ₹98,300 per 10 grams (inclusive of all taxes), according to the All India Sarafa Association.

The yellow metal had finished at ₹99,100 per 10 grams on Monday.

Gold is under pressure as safe-haven demand eases after the US confirmed a full ceasefire between Iran and Israel.

The announcement came shortly after Iran attacked a US military base in Qatar, briefly heightening tensions before quickly calming them. Investors are booking profits and pulling back from the yellow metal.

Silver prices also declined by ₹1,000 to ₹1,04,200 per kilogram (inclusive of all taxes) on Tuesday. The metal had ended at ₹1,05,200 per kg in the previous market close. Meanwhile, spot gold declined by $46.05 or 1.37% to $3,323.05 per ounce in the overseas markets.

"Investors are closely watching Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell, who is set to testify before US Congress on Tuesday and Wednesday, which can provide any signals on the future policy path of interest rate cuts," said Saumil Gandhi, Senior Analyst - Commodities at HDFC Securities.

Market sentiment cautiously optimistic; Nifty sheds early gains, settles 0.3% higher

BIVEKANANDA BISWAS @ New Delhi

AFTER a blazing start to morning trade amid reports of a ceasefire between Iran and Israel, domestic equity markets turned cautious by the afternoon and gave up most of the gains by the close of the day as a likely ceasefire violation spooked investors.

Sensex and Nifty50 – closed slightly above Monday's close. Sensex ended the day at 82,055, up 158 points, after hitting peak of 83,018 during the day. Nifty closed at 25,044, up 0.3% from Monday's close. Nifty hit the high of 25,317 during the day.

"Initial gains in domestic market, driven by ceasefire announcement and drop in crude prices, were short-lived as renewed tensions in the Middle East unsettled investor sentiment. Adding to the uncertainty was volatility due to expiry day dynamics. Though the market attempted to break out of its recent consolidation range, global risks continue to impede momentum," said Vinod Nair, head of research, Geojit Investments. Among Nifty companies, Jio Finance (2.85%), Shriram Finance (2.09%), Grasim (2.06%), Tata Steel (1.71%) and SBI life (1.67%) were the top gainers. ONGC (-2.9%), PowerGrid (1.43%) and IndusInd (1.01%) were among the top losers.

The broader market saw similar trends with the Nifty 100 index closing 0.4% higher at 25,632. Nifty midcap and Nifty smallcap indices, however, outperformed the Nifty50 index and closed with 0.7% gain.

"Nifty index oscillate within a narrow band, driven by news-based movements. Despite starting the session on a firm note, the index failed to sustain higher levels and succumbed to selling pressure near resistance zone formed by the previous swing high. However, repeated rejections from resistance zone of 25,200–25,250 indicate bulls are struggling to clear this hurdle. A close above this band is imperative to reignite upward momentum," said Dhupesh Dhameja, derivatives research analyst, SAMCO Securities.

From the derivatives front, market sentiment appeared cautiously optimistic. Put writers have shown confidence by adding aggressive positions near the current spot levels, signifying strong intent to defend support zones. India VIX remained subdued, sliding 2.88% lower to close at 13.64.

Though market attempted to break out of its recent consolidation range, global risks continue to impede momentum

Vinod Nair, head of research, Geojit Investments

Bulls struggle

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ASIANOMICS

JAPAN

FACTORY ACTIVITY RETURNS TO GROWTH AFTER 11 MONTHS

The manufacturing activity in Japan returned to growth in June after nearly a year of fall. However, the demand conditions remain murky due to worries over US tariffs and global economic outlook, a private-sector survey has shown. The service sector's expansion accelerated, pushing business activity to a four-month high, offering a counterbalance to the export-reliant factory sector amid diminished prospects for an early Japan-US trade deal. The au Jibun Bank flash Japan manufacturing purchasing managers' index (PMI) rose to 50.4 from May's final 49.4, ending 11 months of readings below 50.0 threshold that indicate contraction. Among sub-indices, factory output and stocks of purchases rebounded to growth from multi-month contraction, driving up headline manufacturing PMI. However, new orders for manufactured goods, including from overseas customers, continued to fall, the survey showed.

SINGAPORE

CORE INFLATION RISES 0.6% IN MAY

The core inflation in Singapore rose 0.6% in May from a year earlier, matching economist expectations, as per official data released on Monday. The core inflation figure, which excludes private road transport and accommodation costs, aligned with the 0.6% forecast economists had predicted. Meanwhile, headline inflation reached 0.8% in annual terms for May, exactly matching economist projections. The data provides a clear picture of Singapore's current inflation environment, with both core and headline measures coming in precisely as anticipated by market watchers. The Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) and Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) left unchanged their forecasts for core and overall inflation to average 0.5% to 1.5% in 2025, but they said that "the uncertainties to inflation have risen amid the increased risks in the external environment".

MALAYSIA

INFLATION DROPS TO 1.2%, LOWEST IN 51 MONTHS

The inflation rate in Malaysia continued its downward trend in May 2025, a significant drop to 1.2%. This marks the lowest inflation rate recorded in 51 months, with the Consumer Price Index standing at 134.4 points compared to 132.8 in May of the previous year, as announced by the Department of Statistics Malaysia today. The slower inflation in Malaysia, an open economy, mirrors trends observed in other selected countries such as the Eurozone (1.9%), Republic of Korea (1.9%), Indonesia (1.6%), and the Philippines (1.3%) in May 2025. DOSM said the synchronised easing is largely attributed to a decline in global oil prices. Further evidence of softening prices can be seen in the Producer Price Index (PPI) for local production, which recorded a negative 3.4% in April 2025. The crucial Food & Beverages group, a significant component of the CPI, saw a slower increase of 2.1 percent in May 2025.

Hindalco to acquire US-based AluChem

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

HINDALCO Industries, the metals flagship of the Aditya Birla Group, has announced acquisition of a 100% stake in US-based AluChem Companies, Inc, a prominent manufacturer of specialty alumina, for an enterprise value of $125 million (about ₹1,050 cr), the company said in a statement. The acquisition will be carried out through Aditya Holdings LLC, a stepdown wholly owned subsidiary of Hindalco.

"This strategic acquisition marks a significant investment in specialty alumina, a key step in scaling its high-value, technology-led materials portfolio," the company said on Tuesday.

The transaction is expected to close in the upcoming quarter, subject to customary closing conditions and regulatory approvals.

The company said Hindalco's specialty alumina business, a key pillar of its value-added strategy, has delivered consistent double-digit growth in recent years and emerged as a high-growth, high-margin vertical within the company's portfolio.

As specialty alumina finds newer applications across cutting-edge sectors such as electric mobility, semiconductors, and precision ceramics, this acquisition, according to the company, propels Hindalco up the innovation curve -- enabling access to next-generation alumina applications and driving value-accretive growth.

"This acquisition is an important step in our global strategy to build a leadership position in value-added, high-tech materials. Our strategic foray into the specialty alumina space will not only accelerate the development of future-ready, sustainable solutions but also open new pathways to pursue high-impact growth opportunities," said Kumar Mangalam Birla, Chairman of Aditya Birla Group.

He added that by integrating advanced technologies into our value chain, we are reinforcing our commitment to self-reliance, import substitution, and building scale in innovation-led businesses.

India not tariff king; average import duty has come down to 10.66%, says FM

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FINANCE minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Tuesday rejected "tariff king" jibe by US president Donald Trump, as she asserted that the country has streamlined its tariff structure and that effective rates are "far lower" than perceived.

Speaking at a Trade Conclave by India Exim Bank, Sitharaman highlighted that the latest 2025-26 Budget reduced the number of tariff rates to eight, including zero rate. This follows removal of seven tariff rates in the current budget and another seven in the 2023-24 budget. These reforms have brought India's average customs duty rate down to 10.66% from 11.65%, aligning it closer to Southeast Asian nations. Her comments addressed past accusations from Trump, who branded India a "tariff king" and "big abuser." "So for those of us who think there is still a tariff story in India, I want this to be clear, there are only eight (tariff rates) including zero rate. So we have done a lot of reforms in reducing burden on trade by cutting down tariffs to support manufacturing and value addition, promote exports and to facilitate trade," she said.

In a move to boost trade, she said free trade agreement (FTA) negotiations with the US and the European Union are progressing rapidly and are expected to conclude soon.

EXPRESS READ

Tech Mahindra CEO Joshi took home ₹52 cr in FY25

BENGALURU: Tech Mahindra's CEO and MD Mohit Joshi took home over ₹52 crore in FY25, as per the annual report released by the India's fifth-largest IT company. There was a reduction of 6.52% in the median remuneration of employees in FY25. Joshi joined the company from June 19, 2023; hence, the percentage raise in remuneration is not comparable with last year. Tech Mahindra CEO's compensation is more than Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) CEO and MD K Krithivasan's package, which was ₹26.52 crore in FY25. In FY25, Infosys paid its CEO Salil Parekh ₹80.62 crore as salary. *ENS*

CLAIMS

EPFO increases auto-settlement limit to ₹5 lakh

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Employee provident fund officer (EPFO) has increased the auto-settlement limit for advance claims from existing ₹1 lakh to ₹5 lakh, enabling members to receive higher funds in time of need.

EPFO had first introduced auto-settlement of advance claims during the COVID-19 pandemic to provide quick financial assistance to members. Since then the facility has been extended to cover advance claims for illness, education, marriage, and housing purposes. These claims are processed automatically by the system without any human involvement, ensuring quick turnaround and transparency.

This step is part of EPFO's broader push to improve service delivery by using technology, said a labour ministry statement. With the elevated limit of ₹5 lakh, additional advance claims will now qualify for auto-settlement, leading to their processing within three days of submission. This enhanced limit and faster access to funds will help members get timely financial support when they need it the most.

In 2024–25, EPFO achieved a significant milestone by successfully processing a record 2.34 crore advance claims through auto-settlement, reflecting a sharp increase of 161% over the previous year.

Incentive scheme soon for rare earth production

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

WITH the rare earth material supply crisis looming large, the government will roll out a scheme to subsidise domestic production of rare earth magnets in 15-20 days, heavy industries minister H D Kumaraswamy said on Tuesday.

The minister said consultation with stakeholders is underway to decide the amount of incentive programme. As per ministry officials, if the total incentive crosses ₹1,000 crore, the scheme will be sent to the Union cabinet for approval.

The latest crisis emanates from stricter controls imposed by China on export of seven rare earth elements and finished magnets. This revised framework demands detailed end-use disclosures and client declarations, including confirmation that products will not be used in defense or re-exported to the US. This added scrutiny has prolonged the clearance process to at least 45 days, leading to significant delays and a growing backlog that is tightening global supply chains. China is the world's dominant exporter of rare earth magnets, controlling over 70% of global Rare Earth Element (REE) production and over 90% of refining capacity. He said India is looking at alternative sources for procurement of rare earth minerals in the interim period, including Japan and Vietnam. He said one Hyderabad-based company has promised to deliver 500 tonne by this year-end. The minister said the actual production of rare earth magnets will take about two years, and the government, along with the industry, is looking at alternative sources of procurement in the interim period, including Japan and Vietnam.

Govt opens window to apply for EV mfg scheme

NEW DELHI: The government on Tuesday opened window for foreign EV manufacturers to apply for the Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Electric Passenger Cars in India (SPMEPCI). The application can be submitted on a portal -- launched on Tuesday -- from June 24, 2025, 10.30 am and will remain open until October 21, 2025 till 6:00 pm. *ENS*

Gautam Adani denies FCPA charges, says no one from Group charged in US

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

ADANI GROUP chairman Gautam Adani on Tuesday stated that no one from the Group has been charged with violating the US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) or conspiring to obstruct justice. He made the remark during the group's annual general meeting (AGM).

Adani, along with several senior executives, is under investigation in the US for allegedly orchestrating a $265 million bribery scheme to secure solar energy contracts in India. According to the US Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), between 2020 and 2024, Adani and his associates are alleged to have paid bribes to Indian officials in exchange for favorable energy deals. The authorities also allege that these actions were concealed from US investors during fundraising efforts.

The allegations include potential violations of the FCPA, as well as securities fraud and wire fraud. The Group has denied the accusations, calling them baseless. "We proved that true leadership is not built in sunshine but forged in the fire of crisis. This was tested again last year when we faced allegations from the U.S. Department of Justice relating to Adani Green Energy," Adani added.

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-TENDER NOTICE

Tender No : SE/PHC/MPM/14/2025-26

Jal Jeevan Mission Malappuram District- Vettathur, Melattur, Keezhattur Panchayath - 8 meter well, and related works. EMD: Rs. 200000; Tender fee: Rs. 11025; Last Date for submitting Tender: 15-07-2025, 03:00:pm; Phone : 04832974871. Website: www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in

Superintending Engineer
PH Circle Malappuram

KWA-JB-GL-6-156-2025-26

JUNGLE LODGES & RESORTS LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
#49, West Wing Ground Floor, Khanija Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore–560 001. Phone No–080-4055 4055 / 45 / 24 / 25 / 67
Website: www.junglelodges.com, E-mail:accounts@junglelodges.com
yuvaraj@junglelodges.com CIN-U55103KA1980SGC003775

Date: 23.06.2025

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Jungle Lodges and Resorts Limited invites tender for Quotes from Public Sector Banks for quoting competitive interest rate for investment in Fixed Deposits and Expression of Interest (EOI) for Empanelment of Vendors for the Supply of Products to Earth Shops (Souvenir Shops). The Details are as follows: -

Sl. No.	Tender No. and Date	Descriptions	Last date and time for receipt of tenders
1.	JLRL/ 2025-26/ AUCTION10	Public Sector Banks for quoting competitive interest rate for investment in Fixed Deposits.	Last Date to upload the eligibility criteria in Annexure-A and Declaration in Annexure-B in the e-portal: **01.07.2025, 16.00 hrs.**
2.	EOI No: JLRL/ 2025-26/ PREQUAL_ TENDER_ NUMBER_3	Expression of Interest (EOI) for Empanelment of Vendors for the Supply of Products to Earth Shops (Souvenir Shops).	**22.07.2025, 17.00 hrs.**

The details of tender documents are available in the website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. For any further clarifications contact 91-8046010000 and 91-8068948777, Email support@eprochelpdesk.com.

Sd/-
Managing Director

DIPR/CP/1433/MAA/2024-25

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Project South, South Zone Office Complex, 9th Main, 9th Cross, Jayanagara 2nd Block, Bengaluru - 560011

No.EEP(S)/kppp/e-portal/04/2025-26 Dated: 24-06-2025

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Through GOK KPP Portal only)
Single Cover System

The Executive Engineer, Project South, BBMP, invites tenders on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP, Bengaluru from eligible tenderers for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl.	Name of the Work
1	Civil Maintenance in BTM Layout Constituency Parks. **Estimate Cost:** Rs.20.00 Lakhs. **EMD Amount:** Rs.50,000/- Category : Others
2	Civil Maintenance in Basavanagudi Constituency Parks. **Estimate Cost:** Rs.20.00 Lakhs. **EMD Amount:** Rs.50,000/- Category : SC
3	Civil Maintenance in Jayanagar Constituency Parks. **Estimate Cost:** Rs.20.00 Lakhs. **EMD Amount:** Rs.50,000/- Category : CAT-I
4	Civil Maintenance in Padmanabhanagara Constituency Parks. **Estimate Cost:** Rs.20.00 Lakhs. **EMD Amount:** Rs.50,000/- Category : Others
5	Civil Maintenance in Chickpete Constituency Parks. **Estimate Cost:** Rs.20.00 Lakhs. **EMD Amount:** Rs.50,000/- Category : ST
6	Civil Maintenance in Vijayanagara Constituency Parks. **Estimate Cost:** Rs.20.00 Lakhs. **EMD Amount:** Rs.50,000/- Category : Others

(1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPP portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** of the Government of Karnataka. **(2)** Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders is : **09-07-2025 up to 5.30 PM (3)** Financial bid opening date : **11-07-2025 at 5.30 PM** After Technical bid approval.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Project South

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
MINOR IRRIGATION AND GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, MANGALURU

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-procurement)

Ref: This office tender notification no: MID/MNG/TS/AE/Tender-06/2025/1547 Dated: 19.06.2025.

As per the above reference, Item rate tenders are invited for the works of Dakshina Kannada and Kodagu districts by the under signed as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements Act on behalf of Governor of Karnataka from the Eligible Contractors. Completed tender will be received through KPP Portal website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in before 4.00 p.m. on 07.07.2025.** Bidders may download tender document from this website. The details of the works and other conditions may be obtained in the Division Office. (Phone No. 0824-2440720)

DIPR / MNG / 374 / MPL / 25-26

Sd/- Executive Engineer
MI & GWD Division, Mangaluru

North Western Karnataka Road Transport Corporation Dharwad Rural Division Dharwad.

Notice Inviting E-Tender No:03/2025.
(Through E-Procurement)

Applications are invited through E-Procurement for selection of Licencees to the stalls, at various bus stations & Cleaning contractor at pay and use systems at various bus Stations that come under the jurisdiction of Dharwad Division. Tender Documents can be downloaded through E-Procurement Website "kppp.karnataka.gov.in" till **14.07.25 Time 17:00** hours, the last date for submission of Online Application is **25/6/2025 up to 17:00** hours. And Tender Opening is on **16.07.2025 Time 11:00** Hrs The persons having DCS (Digital Signature Certificate) are eligible to participate in the tender. For more details bidders may contact the above Office through phone **Mob: 7760996271** (Divisional Traffic Officer).& **7760129545 ATM.**

Notice Inviting Manual Tender No:03/2025.

Application are invited through manual tender selection of Licences to the stalls, advertising display through hoardings and glow sign boards at various bus stands that come under the Jurisdiction of Dharwad Division. Interested bidders can take application forms at the office of Divisional Controller, Dharwad Division Dharwad. From **25.6.2025 at 12:00Am to 15.07.2025 up to 16:00**Hrs. Manual Negotiation Tender Opening Date is On **16.07.2025 at 12:00Hrs.** For more Details Bidders may contact the above Office through **Mob:7760996271** (Divisional Traffic Officer). & **7760129545 (ATM).**

Sd/-Divisional Controller
NWKRTC Dharwad Division, Dharwad,

DIPR/Dwd/332/DeshpandePublicity/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the general public that my client, Union Bank of India, Jayanagara 1st Block Branch, Jayanagara, Bengaluru-560 011 informed me that, the Sale Deed dated 22/10/2012 registered as Document No.BGR-1-06614/2012-13, CD No.BGRD179, registered before sub-Registrar Begur and Deposit of title deed dated 13.03.2013, registered as Document No.JAY-1-06749/2012-13, CD No.JAYD167, registered before sub-Registrar Jayanagara, Bangalore in respect of the below mentioned Schedule Property is lost and not traceable. In this regard my client had also lodged a complaint before the Police vide Lost Report No. 1666747/2025 & 1666781/2025 dated 23.06.2025

If any persons known/found/possessing or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to hand it over the same to the undersigned at his office below mentioned address within 7 days from the date hereof, failing which without any reference to such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Vacant Site No.29, Katha No.35/4, Property Nos.35/4 and 35/5, situated at Yelenahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes under the Jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Limits, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet totally measuring 1200 sq feet and bounded on:- **East by :** Site No.42; **West by :** Road; **North by :** Site No.28; **South by :** Site No.30;

Praveen MR, Advocate
No.188, Third Floor, 2nd Cross Road, 5th phase, SachidanandhaNagara Layout, Rajarajeshwarinagara, Bengaluru-560098.

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR LEASE OF PROPERTY

NOTICE is hereby given that our client is in negotiation with **Mr. KISHAN MITTAL,** S/o Javaharlal Mittal, **Mrs. MAMTA MITTAL,** W/o Shiv Shankar Mittal, **Mr. SANJEEV PRAKASH,** S/o Prakash Chandra, and **Mr. SURAJ PRAKASH,** S/o Prakash Chandra for entering into long term lease agreement in respect of immovable property measuring 1845.28 Square Meters (or 19862 Square Feet) of converted land, bounded on **East by:** B.K. Halli and Mylanahalli Road, **West by:** Property Survey No.6, **North by:** Property Survey No. 10, **South by:** Remaining property in Sy.No.11, being the part of All that piece and parcel of the immovable property Converted Land Survey No.11, measuring to an extent of 33 Guntas or 3339 Sq. mtrs./35,940 sq. ft. (vide Conversion Order No.424191, dated 06.02.2023 and Re-conversion Order No.21209, dated 09.08.2024 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District), situated at B.K. Halli, Amanikere Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Additional Taluk, Bangalore District and bounded on the **East by:** B.K. Halli and Mylanahalli Road, **West by:** Property Survey No.6, **North by:** Property Survey No.10, **South by:** Property Survey No.12 and we are investigating and verifying the title of the Owners in respect of the said property.

It is therefore notified that any person or persons having claim against or in respect of the said property or part thereof by way of sale, mortgage, exchange, charge, lease, sub lease, tenancy, lien, inheritance, gift, family arrangement, trust, bequest, maintenance, possession, easement, license, joint venture, development rights, pledge, loans, advances, guarantees, attachment or any rights under an order or decree passed by any Court of law or revenue or statutory authority or any other right or interest whatsoever and howsoever and/or are in possession of the original title deeds for whatsoever reason hereby are required to make the same known in writing to us at our below mentioned office address within **14 days** from the date of publication of this notice hereof along with the copies of all the documents on the basis of which such claims are made, or else the said lease will be considered as waived and abandoned for all intents and purposes and shall not be binding.

K. SHRIKRISHNA, Advocate
No.16, 1st Floor, 6th Main, 14th Cross, Vyalikaval, Bengaluru- 560 003
Phone: 9448152837. Date: 24.06.2025.

PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY

PARADIP PORT-754142, ODISHA (INDIA)
ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT
(ESTATE-WING)

NO.AD/EST/LAND-I-44/2021/2514 Dt.17.06.2025

e-Tender-cum-e-Auction Notice

An e-Tender-cum-e-Auction Notice invites bids for **"Allotment of about 5 Acres of Port land for Construction of Mega Modern Shopping Mall with Multiplex at Marine Drive Rod in the Port Township for a period of 30 (thirty) years on long term lease basis"** is available in the website from **17.06.2025** to **30.07.2025**. For details, interested bidders may log on the website https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.

Sd/- Sr. Dy. Secretary
Paradip Port Authority

PPA/PR/20/2025-2026 dtd.24.06.2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the certificate (s) for 878 shares bearing Share Certificate Nos: 567368, with Distinctive Nos 108667313 to 108668190 under Reg. Folio No BSE0100023 of BSE Limited standing in the name of Mr. Sridhar Parthasarathy has/have been lost or mislaid and the undersigned has/ have applied to the company to issue duplicate Certificate(s) for the said shares. Any person who has any claim in respect of the said shares should write to our Registrar, KFIN Technologies Limited, Selenium Tower B, Plot 31-32, Gachibowli Financial District, Hyderabad-500032 within one month from this date else the company will proceed to issue duplicate Certificate(s).

Sd/- Sridhar Parthasarathy
1816, 13th Cross, Sector- 1
HSR Layout, Bangalore- 560102

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

LIC HFL — LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD.
1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bengaluru -560025. Ph.: 080-43003651

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Office of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
Ms. Vidya N Panicker & Mr. Narayan G Panicker Loan A/c No. 410400005296 410400006813 Symbolic Possession Date: 20/06/2025	15/03/2025	Rs. 8315141.00/-	Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos.1031 and 1032, Corner, "B" Block, respective earlier BBMP Khata Nos. 712/1031 and 713/1032, presently bearing Common BBMP Katha No.712/1031, 1032, comprised in the layout formed by the Aircraft Employees' Co-operative Society Limited, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, and approved by Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore vide its order bearing No.BDA/TPM/DD/1263/92-93, dated 12.11.1992, presently within the administrative jurisdiction BBMP, totally measures East to West 80 feet , measuring North to South: (138 + 115) / 2 feet, totally measuring 10120. Sq. feet, with all rights appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface, and bounded on East by: Road, West by :Site No.1033, North by: Road South by: Private Property. Schedule : B : 356.86 Sq. feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" Above. Apartment bearing No.001, in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1602 Sq. ft., super built up area, containing Three Bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One Car Parking space, including proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multi-storied residential building known as "B R ENCLAVE', constructed over Schedule "A" Property.
Ms. Shilpa Basavaraj Loan A/c No. 412200001687 Symbolic Possession Date: 20/06/2025	15/03/2025	Rs. 3799896.00/-	Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos.446, 447, 448, presently comes within the limits of BBMP Ward No.198 and now bearing Clubbed new BBMP Khata No.264/237/257/255/262/447/448/446, formed in residential converted land bearing Sy.No.56/1A and Sy.No.56/2A, situated at Mylasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, which is duly converted from Agricultural Purpose to Non-Agricultural residential purposes vide conversion Order Official Memorandum No.B-DIS.ALN.SR(S)393/91-92, dated 06-05-1992 issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, totally measuring 19,281-00 Square Feet, and bounded on the: East by: Site No.449,449/A West by: Site No.445(Site Nos.445,445/A,445/B), North by: Site No.456/A, 456, 455. South by: Road. Schedule 'B' : 129.00 Square feet of undivided share of land right, title and interest in the Schedule A Property 3 Bedrooms Apartment bearing No.403, on the Fourth Floor of the residential complex "Global Meadows' now bearing BBMP Khatha No.3003/237/257/255/262/447/448/446/58/FF-403, constructed in the Schedule A Property, having a super built up area of 1110 Square feet (inclusive of proportionate share in common areas) with one Car Parking space in the stilt floor, together with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas of common use and all civic amenities provided in Schedule 'A' Property and Specifications, fixtures, and fittings more fully described in Annexure-A.
Ms. Shilpa Basavaraj Loan A/c No. 412200001685 Symbolic Possession Date: 20/06/2025	15/03/2025	Rs. 3799896.00/-	Schedule Property : All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos.446, 447, 448, presently comes within the limits of BBMP Ward No.198 and now bearing Clubbed new BBMP Khata No.264/237/257/255/262/447/448/446, formed in residential converted land bearing Sy. No.56/1A and Sy.No.56/2A, situated at MYLASANDRA VILLAGE, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, which is duly converted from Agricultural Purpose to Non-Agricultural residential purposes vide conversion Order Official Memorandum No.B-DIS.ALN.SR(S)393/91-92, dated 06-05-1992 issued by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, totally measuring 19,281-00 Square Feet, and bounded on the East by: Site No.449,449/A, West by: Site No.445(Site Nos.445,445/A,445/B), North by: Site No.456/A, 456, 455 South by: Road. SCHEDULE: B ; 153.00 Square feet of undivided share of land right, title and interest in the Schedule A Property. 3 Bedrooms Apartment bearing No.407, on the Fourth Floor of the residential complex "Global Meadows' now bearing BBMP Khatha No.3007/237/257/255/262/447/448/446/58/FF-407, constructed in the Schedule A Property, having a super built up area of 1320 Square feet (inclusive of proportionate share in common areas) with one Car Parking space in the stilt floor, together with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas of common use and all civic amenities provided in Schedule 'A' Property and Specifications, fixtures, and fittings more fully described in Annexure-A.
Mr. Reyaj Ali Sek Loan A/c No. 410100006995 Symbolic Possession Date: 20/06/2025	01/01/2025	Rs. 4364885.00/-	Schedule "A" Property : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing old Kaneshumari No.344, Old Assessment No.285/425, later Assessment No.356/481, Present BBMP Khata No.1001/63/666, situated at Idgah Road, (Behind Government School), Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP, measuring East to West: on Northern side 24' + 49'6", on the southern side 74'6" and North to South on the Eastern side 134'6", on the Western side 75'6"+73', totally measuring 8619.5 Sq.feet, and bounded on East by: Property belongs to Mr.Krishnapppa S/o Gujjappa, West by: Property belongs to Mr. Cement Basha and Mr.Nazeer Ahmed North by: Road and Property of Mr. Nazeer Ahmed South by: Property belongs to Mr. Belegare Chandrasekar S/o Belegere Subbaiah. Schedule "B" : 228 Sq.feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above Flat bearing No.207, in the Second Floor, measuring about 940 Sq/feet super built up area, containing Two Bed Rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring together with One Covered Car Parking space including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multi storied building residential building known as "MITHRA RAJI RESIDENCY", CONSTRUCTED OVER Schedule "A' Property.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 25.06.2025

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

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BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED

Office of the Deputy General Manager-2, 1st Floor, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru-560052

No. DGM-2/BSWML/Tend/10/25-26 Date: 24.06.2025

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)

(Through GOK KPP Only)

1. The Deputy General Manager-2, Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited on behalf of the Managing Director, BSWML, Bengaluru from eligible bidders for the works detailed in the table below. The bidders may submit tenders for Works given in the table through KPPP portal of the Government of Karnataka (viz.https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) The Bidders are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the instructions to bidders to qualify for award of the contract.
2. Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPP portal of the Government of Karnataka.
3. Other details can be seen in the tender documents.

Name of the Works	Amount Put to Tender (Rs.in Lakhs)	EMD (in Rs)	Cost of Tender Document	Contract Completion Period
Developmental works at SWM Sites. Package-1 (Binny Mill and Bellahalli)	576.63 (Excluding GST)	Rs.1,00,000/- through e-payment under of the following i.e., online / RTGS / NEFT / OTC and the balance Rs.7,64,945/- by Bank Guarantee/ FDR issued by Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank	As per KPPP portal	6 Months (Including Monsoon Period)
Developmental works at SWM Sites. Package-2 (Banasawadi and Koramanagala)	494.25 (Excluding GST)	Rs.1,00,000/- through e-payment under of the following i.e., online / RTGS / NEFT / OTC and the balance Rs.6,41,375/- by Bank Guarantee/ FDR issued by Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank	As per KPPP portal	6 Months (Including Monsoon Period)

Calendar of Events: 1) Pre bid meeting will be held on 01.07.2025 at 15:00 hours in office of the Chief Engineer & Chief General Manager (tech), BSWML, BBMP Building, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru - 52. 2) Last date for bid submission is 14.07.2025 on or before 16:00 hours. 3) Bid opening date on 15.07.2025 after 16:30 hours.

Sd/- Deputy General Manager-2,
BSWML, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/1435/CCL/2025-26

YES BANK LIMITED

Prestige obelisk, Municipal No.3, Ground Floor, Kasturba Road, Bangalore-560001

POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of YES Bank Ltd. under the provisions of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Sec.13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices calling upon the respective borrowers mentioned hereunder to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective notices U/s.13(2) of the said Act within a period of **60 days.**

The respective borrowers having failed to repay the said amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and public in general that the undersigned has taken **Symbolic Possession** of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under Sec.13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said Rules. The respective borrowers in particular and public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said properties and any dealing with these properties will be subject to the charge of the YES Bank Ltd. for the respective amount mentioned herein below along with interest thereon at contracted rate.

Sr. No.1	Agreement No.: 092484600000114, 924LA40201990001	Type of Loan: Over Draft and Working Capital Term Loan	O/s. As per 13(2) Notice: Rs.2,23,01,303.92	Sec.13(2) Notice Date: 03-03-2025	Symbolic Date: 21-06-2025

Name of Borrowers, Co-borrowers, Guarantors, Mortgagors: M/S. S L V Marketing (Borrower), 2) Sri. M V Raghuram (Proprietor of M/s. S L V Marketing), Guarantor:3) Sri.MV Raghuram, Guarantor:4) Smt.YN Nandhini, 5) Smt.M V Shobha, 6) Smt.M V Vijayalakshmi,7) Sri.M.V.Ramesh,(legal representative and son of late Sowbhagyamma R), 8) Sri.M.V.Srinivas,(legal representative and son of late Sowbhagyamma R), 9) Sri.M.V.Raghuram, (legal representative and son of late Sowbhagyamma R), **10) Sri.M.V.Raghuram,** (legal representative and son of late Sowbhagyamma R).

Details of secured asset: 1) Property bearing No.1 formed in SY. No. 10 having PID No.54-82-1, situated in Sri Lakshminarasimha Housing Society Limited, now Sir MV Marg behind Vidyapeeta, BSK III Stage Bangalore, measuring east to west 51 + 50/2 feet and nort to west 35.6 feet. East by: Road, West by: Site No.13, North by: Road South by: Site No.2 **2)** All that piece and parcel of residential house property situated at Site No.670, bearing New Municipal No.29, Old PID No.52-48-29, New PID No.155-W0215-6 situated at Sunkenahalli, Adjacent Sites extensions, Bangalore, presently within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Old ward no.52, New ward no.155, AA NA Subbarao Road, Hanumanth Nagar Bangalore, measuring east to west 7.02 meters or 23 feet and north to south 10.97 meters or 36.00 feet in total 77.00 square meters or 828 sqaure feet. East by: Site No.669, West by: Site No.670/A, North by: Site No. 671/A, South by: Road

Sr. No.1	Agreement No.: 924LA17170900001	Type of Loan: Against Property TL	O/s. As per 13(2) Notice: Rs.2,009,569.53/-	Sec.13(2) Notice Date: 03-03-2025	Symbolic Date: 21-06-2025

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This is to bring to your attention that under Sec.13(8) of SARFAESI Act, where the number of dues of the secured creditor together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by secured creditor is tendered to the secured creditor at any time before the date of publication of notice for the public auction/ tender/ private treaty, the secured asset shall not be sold or transferred and no further steps shall be taken for transfer or sale of that secured asset.

Sd/-
Date : 25-06-2025 **Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Yes Bank Limited**

MAHAVITARAN — Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd.

E-Tender Notice

Tender for Independent Verification Agency (IVA) for Maharashtra Climate Resilient Distributed Renewable Energy Access Program funded by Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).

Tender on e-tendering platform are invited for **"Tender for appointment of Independent Verification Agency (IVA) for Maharashtra Climate Resilient Distributed Renewable Energy Access Program funded by Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)."**

The details of the Tender are available on MSEDCL's e-tendering Website: https://etender.mahadiscom.in/eatApp/

Tender No. MSEDCL/SPD/MTSKPY/IVA/2025-26/T-01 Dtd 24.06.2025

The Important Dates are-

- Date of Availability of Bidding Document on MSEDCL e-tendering Website : 24.06.2025 at 18.00 Hrs
- Pre-Bid Meeting Date & time : 02.07.2025 at 16:00 Hrs
- Last Date & time for submission of Bid : 08.07.2025 at 15:00 Hrs
- Date and time of opening of Technical Bids : 08.07.2025 at 16:00 Hrs
- Date and time of opening of Price Bids : To be notified later.

HO PR NO 143/25 Dt. 24.06.2025

Sd/-
Chief Engineer (SPD), MSEDCL, Mumbai

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 88TH ADDL CITY CIVIL COURT AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (Commercial Court) (CCH-89)

O.S. No. 296/2025

BETWEEN : BANK OF BARODA Vani Vilas Road Branch, No 69, Kanakapura Road, V V Puram. Basavanagudi Bangalore - 560004 Represented by its Senior Manager Mr. Thangaraj V S/o Mr. Vellingiri R Aged about 42 Years ...PLAINTIFF

AND : M/s A K Fashion ...DEFENDANT

SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT No.1 & 2 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20(1) OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 1908

M/s A K Fashion No.9. Ground Floor, Manikanta Nilaya, 10th Main Road, Rukmini Nagar. Nagasandra Post, Bengaluru-560073 M.No: 9980484765

Also Mr. Nagaraju K Prop: M/s A K Fashion S/o Mr. Krishnappa K H Aged about 47 Years No.02, 4th Cross, Shivapura, Near Maramma Temple Bengaluru-560058 M.No: 9980484765

2. Mr. Santhosha K S/o Mr. Kariyappa, Aged about 39 Years, No.23, 8th B Cross, 3rd Stage, Sanjivini Nagar, Hegganahalli Cross, Bengaluru -560091

Whereas the plaintiff instituted a suit against you for recovery of Rs. 4,61,304.60/- (Rupees Four Lakh Sixty One Thousand Three Hundred and Four and Paisa Sixty only) as on 18.06.2024 along with current and further interest @ 9.5% p.a., with a penal interest @ of 2% p.a., from 18.06.2024 to till the date of realization.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble court on **04/07/25 at 11.00 AM** in person or through the Advocate / pleader to answer the question to the same failing which the suit will be heard and determined as Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court, this 17th day of June 2024.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
Commercial Court Unit, City Civil Court, Bangalore

Padmashree M Advocate for Plaintiff
No.29, 3rd Cross, Vinayaka Layout, Bhoopasandra, Bangalore-560 094

Competent Authority for Land Acquisition and Special Land Acquisition officer,

National Highways, Mini Vidhan Soudha, Dharwad.

PUBLIC NOTICE

for Land owners /persons interested therein for

Payment of Compensation amount and Delivery of possession of land acquired for Flyover construction in Hubli City (Rani Chennamma Circle) from **Km 135.650 to 136.450** Ankola-Gooty road on NH-63 Passing through Hubli City from **Km 249.00 to 250.050** old Pune-Bangalore road on NH-4 & from Km **193.800 to 193.350** in Dharwad District.

Kind attention of all landowners/interested persons is invited to the Public Notice published in the following newspapers informing them regarding:

- Announcement of award : **21-03-2025**
- Calling upon them to collect the compensation amount within a period of 60 days
- Requesting the landowners to hand over the possession of the subject land to the under signed.

SL. No.	Names of Newspapers in which published	Date of Newspapers
1	Prajavani (Kannada)	26-11-2024
2	The New Indian Express (English)	26-11-2024

The prescribed time of 60 days expired On 08-06-2025.

The compensation amount in respect of Landowners who had furnished their Bank Account details has been credited to their respective accounts. Further, cheque payments have also been made to those who approached this office during this period. As regards the payment of the compensation amount to the balance landowners, they are again advised to approach this office for getting their payments at the earliest as the amount already stands tendered vide Public Notice **dated: 08-04-2025.**

Accordingly, all the landowners /interested persons are hereby called upon to hand over the possession of the acquired land to the undersigned immediately, failing which the same shall be taken with the police assistance in accordance with sub-section (2) of Section 3E of the NH Act, 1956.

Sd/- (Capt, Srinivasgowda. V)
Competent Authority for Land Acquisition and Special Land Acquisition officer,
National Highways, Mini VidhanSoudha, Dharwad.

DIPR/Dharwad/325/DeshpandePublicity/2025-26

Wimbledon champ Murray to help design statue of himself

Two-time Wimbledon champion Andy Murray is to help design a statue of himself to mark the grass-court tournament's 150th anniversary in 2027. Wimbledon organizers said on Tuesday that they aim to unveil the statue of the British tennis great during the 2027 edition. Murray ended Britain's 77-year wait for a home champion in men's singles in 2013.

England take Leeds & India hopes

Fifth bowler Thakur goes underutilised even as the visitors allow Stokes and Co to chase down 371 in the first Test

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

WHEN rain forced early tea on the last day of the first Test in Leeds, Headlingley on Tuesday, England were 102 runs shy of yet another famous victory. Two back-to-back wickets in the 55th over bowled by Shardul Thakur might have acted as a roadblock, but that was all it was as Joe Root held fort at one end, taking England to a famous victory and a 1-0 lead.

If it was Root who finished the job, openers Zak Crawley and Ben Duckett had laid the foundation with a 188-run stand with the latter slamming 149 off just 170 balls taking Indian bowlers to cleaners.

Even as Jasprit Bumrah and others were unable to break the partnership, fifth bowling option Thakur was introduced in the 12th over of the day, 18th of the innings and soon taken off the attack after sending down only three overs. Agreed, he was going for almost run-a-ball then but another pacer Prasidh Krishna was equally expensive. The Mumbai medium pacer was brought back only in the 53rd over, 31 overs after the captain decided to discontinue with him. Playing as a bowling-allrounder and probably preferred over a frontline bowler in Kuldeep Yadav, the 33-year-old could bowl only six overs in the first innings even as four others including Jasprit Bumrah bowled 20 or more overs. The story was no different in the second essay. England, in contrast, were more uniform as far as their usage of full-time bowlers was concerned. All five bowled 20 or more in the first innings and they went on to bowl 15 or more in the next essay with part-timer Joe Root chipping in with three overs. Offie Shoaib Bashir bowled the most overs in both the innings for them giving much-needed reprieve to the pace attack. Their opponents, meanwhile, adopted an entirely different approach as underbowling Thakur meant premier pacer Bumrah and Mohammed Siraj had to bowl the most. Under utilisation of the fifth bowler can cause a big problem especially in the longest format of the game and India seem to have been doing it intentionally or unintentionally, especially under head coach Gautam Gambhir. The former India captain so far has used the fifth bowler only around nine per cent away from home. It is around 17 per cent when India play at home. That apparent preference was there for all to see when Thakur was again taken off the attack only two overs later after giving India the twin successes.

Dropped catches and underutilisation of the fifth bowler cost India throughout the first Test in Headingley | AP

SCOREBOARD **India 1st Innings:** 471; **England 1st Innings:** 465; **India 2nd Innings:** 364; **England 2nd innings** (O/N 21/0 in 6 ovs): Crawley c Rahul b Krishna 65, Duckett c sub (Reddy) b Thakur, Pope b Krishna 8, Root not out 53, Brook c Pant b Thakur 0, Stokes c Gill b Jadeja 33, Smith (not out) 44; **Extras:** 21 (b-12, lb-6, nb-3); **Total** (for 5 wickets in 82 ovs): 373 **FoW:** 1-188, 2-206, 3-253, 4-253, 5-302; **Bowling:** Bumrah 19-3-57-0, Siraj 14-1-51-0, Jadeja 24-1-104-1, Krishna 15-0-92-2, Thakur 10-0-51-2.

Test cricket is all about plotting downfall of opponents ball after ball and chalking out strategies to control and dominate session after session. This sometimes can lead to surprising decisions by the captain and the coach but not utilising a player for the very purpose he is in the playing XI can affect the balance of the team to a great extent. The same was the case in Leeds as the runs came out of English batters' willow at more than four-run per over making the target of 371 look easier even on the last day of the match. It's true India had failed to defend sizeable targets in the recent past be it their losses in Johannesburg and Cape Town, South Africa in challenging batting conditions in 2022 or their defeat at the hands of England in Birmingham in the same year. The targets were 200 plus in the first two cases while it was 378 in the last.

Lack of support for Bumrah can be a reason for this fourth-innings reverses. While the bowling ace is always supposed to go for a few runs as he is expected to go for wickets every time he has the ball in his hand, at least one of the seamers has to play a role which Ishant Sharma used to do to almost perfection — contain run flow. That control seems to be missing be it Krishna or Siraj as they again went for a plenty of runs making life easy for England batters in the ongoing match. Of course, one cannot ignore the change in conditions in England given the go-hung approach their team has adopted. The pitch has not been offering that assistance to the bowlers as it used to be in the past. Besides, the Dukes balls also generally go flat after around 30 overs making it difficult for the bowlers to get a purchase.

There could be plenty of issues and India need to address them as soon as possible as a couple of losses can take them out of contention in no time once again making the tour an unforgettable one, which has been the case in Old Blighty since 2007.

NUMBERS GAME

0 Successful reviews by Shubman Gill on captaincy debuts. He has reviewed six times, with five unsuccessful and one decision upheld on umpire's call

5 Harry Brook has become the fifth man to be dismissed for 0 and 99 in the same Test match. The most recent before him was Babar Azam against Australia in Abu Dhabi in 2018.

15 Ben Duckett's century as an opener in the fourth innings came after 15 years for England. Alastair Cook last scored a fourth-innings hundred as an opener at Mirpur in 2010.

Neeraj Chopra

Neeraj wins again

AGENCIES @ Ostrava (Czech Republic)

INDIAN javelin throw superstar Neeraj Chopra on Tuesday clinched the title at the Golden Spike meet in his maiden appearance here, his back-to-back win in a top-class competition.

Fresh from his Paris Diamond League win on June 20, Chopra emerged on top in a nine-man field here though with a modest effort of 85.29m in the World Athletics Continental Tour Gold event.

He had skipped the last two editions of Golden Spike -- an event that his coach Jan Zelezny won nine times in a storied career -- due to fitness issues. The 27-year-old Chopra has had an impressive season so far, having won his first Diamond League title in two years in Paris after also breaching the elusive 90m mark during his second place finish in Doha DL in May.

'Records bring me a step closer to Olympic dream'

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

AT the junior national aquatics championships taking place in 2019, a young boy from Tirunelveli hoped to make a splash as in butterfly. However, that attempt went in vain as he finished eighth in the 100m final. After that moment, he went up to his mother, who was in the stands, sullen and in despair. The mother insisted that he gave himself another chance. "If you don't improve, you can call quit," was what his mother told him. The teen gave himself another chance, and in the National School Games in November the same year, he won gold and was on an upward trajectory.

On Sunday, the then teen, now 21, broke the national record (NR) in the men's 100m butterfly with a timing of 52.57s. This is Benedicton Rohit, Tamil Nadu's latest record man in the pool. It can be said that Kavitha Sheebarani's advice on not giving yourself up and trusting one's ability coupled with hard work has quite an impact on his son.

Rohit has had a not-too-memorable time in the pool. Beginning his journey in 2009 as a backstroker, he tried his hand in all styles (backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly, and freestyle), but couldn't find any suitable to him. Post the win in 2019 in the fly event, he switched back to breaststroke, before making a 'comeback' in the 2021 Khelo India University Games. Training under coach Nihar Ameen of the Dolphins Academy in Bengaluru, Rohit switched to the 100m. "Nihar sir liked my technique and helped me improve it," he told this daily. He described his record-breaking swim on Sunday: "I set a target of 53.1 seconds. But to have clocked 52.5s was a surprise for me." He said the coach had always wanted him to swim below 53s but Rohit found it a bit difficult. The record was previously held by Olympian Sajan Prakash. Rohit is not sure if his foray into all styles (strokes) helped him but it did give him an opportunity to find the style in which he could improve. "I had to go through all the styles and then choose what's best for me. Initially I didn't have anyone to guide me in choosing my preferred style," he said. He felt that this would help him realise his dream of representing India in the 2028 LA Olympics.

Benedicton Rohit

RESULTS: (WINNERS)

Women

1500m Freestyle: Bhavya Sachdeva: 17:35.07
200m Butterfly: Astha Choudhury: 2:20.63
50m Backstroke: Vihitha N L: 29.99
50m Freestyle: Rujula S: 26.36 (MR)
4 x 100m medley: Karnataka: 4:25.92s

Men

400m Freestyle: Aryan Nehra: 3:55.96
200m Butterfly: Sajan Prakash: 1:58.98
50m Backstroke: Srihari Nataraj: 25.70
4 x 100m Medley: Tamil Nadu: 3:45.09 (MR)

Note: NMR - New Meet Record

Yadesh joins party

A misplaced player ID card cost Tamil Nadu swimmer M S Yadesh Babu's chance of a senior medal at the National Aquatics Championships in Hyderabad in July, 2023. Yadesh wanted to make amends. This came after a disappointing 2022 when he failed to qualify for the nationals even. Cut to June this year, the 21-year old stepped on top of the podium with a gold medal, after winning the men's 50m breaststroke final in this edition of the national championships with a timing of 28.35s. "In this event, it is all about sprinting 50m," he said. Yadesh first burst onto the scene in 2021 when he broke the junior national mark in the 50m breaststroke in Bengaluru. But his career picked up towards the end of 2023, when he trained much harder and with discipline. "I stopped going out with friends and to family functions. I found my happiness in the gym and the pool," he said. He is training under SDAT-Dolphins head coach K T Muraleedharan in Chennai.

ONE FOR DUCKETT-LIST

1 Nobody has hit as many fours in Tests since June 1, 2022

FROM JUNE 1, 2022								
Mat	Innings	Runs	Avge	S/R	100s	50s	4s	6s
30	56	2511	47.37	88.07	6	13	324	14

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

"A MAN with new ideas," Marcelo Bielsa once said, "is a mad man, until his ideas triumph." Shubman Gill and India's management may have seen that quote plastered on a prominent Leeds wall on their way to Headingley. Bielsa, the Uruguayan coach, lifted Leeds, a famous old club, and gave them a thriving modern identity a few years ago.

Thirty minutes north of Elland Road lies Headingley, a similarly atmospheric ground, home to some of the greatest English triumphs, none greater than Ben Stokes' fourth innings Houdini against Australia in 2019. Almost six years later, they have another moment to rival that Ashes win. On a stop-start, sun feeling a bit shy kind of day, the hosts managed to hold their nerve over India to take a 1-0 lead in the five-match Anderson-Tendulkar Trophy.

The hosts' usual suspect — Joe Root — took them home but it was Ben Duckett who orchestrated this run chase. Before dissecting the southpaw's century, his contribution will be vindication to the 30-year-old. At Nottinghamshire's media day just before the start of the English cricketing summer, he was asked about Jasprit Bumrah. The opener, who had faced the pace ace in India last year, was mindful of his threat but maintained that Bumrah wouldn't surprise him. That was taken out of context. Soon enough, he was forced to delete his X account because people hadn't taken kindly to his thoughts.

31 Duckett scored 31 runs off the reverse sweep in this innings according to Cricviz. The second highest in a single innings since records began

Forget Bumrah, none of the Indian bowlers on show surprised him. He did have a sizable dollop of luck — you need that when you are getting over 130 on the final day of a Test — in the form of close calls and several plays and misses. But like all of the aggressive (and successful) modern openers, his methodology is dependent on compartmentalising. "Did I get beaten off the very previous ball?" Doesn't matter. "Did I misjudge the line?" No problems. "Did I get lucky?" Time to forget about it. Unlike all of the other aggressive modern openers, he has a very compulsive need to play at everything. He has left somewhere between 1-2% of all deliveries he has faced as an opener (for context, Virender Sehwag used to leave over 10%).

Late on Monday, he left one delivery. On Tuesday, he didn't leave. When he finally left, he had 149 from 170 (21x4, 1x6). From start to finish, he batted like someone who believed he was going to win this Test for his side. It included a phase in the first session where both Bumrah and Mohammed Siraj were constantly testing the outside edge of Duckett in overcast conditions.

So, one of Bazball's primary operators decided to play the situation. Off Bumrah, he scored 5 off (one boundary, one single, 19 dots and two maidens) 21. The pacer beat him on a number of occasions but he didn't let it get to his head. You could also say that Bumrah didn't surprise him. It was just two athletes giving it their all.

In the first 45 minutes, Duckett had made seven off 27 for an overall score of 16 off 38. The predator, though, was waiting, knowing his reward would be waiting. First, it came in the form of Prasidh Krishna, a bowler whose radar was off in the first innings. Three boundaries, one, an edge over slips, another, a dismissive cut via cover and a third, a pull off a nothing short delivery, opened the gates. From the other end, Shardul Thakur had already started to bleed. This was liquid Duckett, the man who almost always puts the bad balls away (nobody has scored more Test fours than him since June 2022). Against Thakur and Krishna, who have the very bad habit of bowling at least one bad delivery in the over, he was feasting.

In the second hour before lunch, he had raced along to an 85-ball 63 (a run-a-ball 47 after Bumrah's first spell). After lunch, Gill decided to give Ravindra Jadeja an extended spell to target the rough outside Duckett's off stump. In theory, good. But the southpaw, the second highest run-getter in the Bazball era, is a proficient reverse-sweeper. Sweeping out of the rough is filled with risk but Duckett has low hands and practices that shot a lot. So, he got down on knee and repeatedly target the real estate either side of square on the off side.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Krejcikova comes from behind to defeat Harriet

AGENCIES @ Eastbourne

WIMBLEDON champion Barbora Krejcikova saved two match points on British opponent Harriet Dart's serve before rallying to win her opening match Tuesday at the grass-court Eastbourne Open.

Dart was 40-15 up on serve leading 5-4 in the decisive third set of a rain-affected round-of-32 match that second-seeded Krejcikova went on win 6-3, 6-7 (4), 7-5.

It was just the second victory this year for the 17th-ranked Krejcikova, whose season didn't start until May because of a back injury. The 29-year-old came to Eastbourne for her final warmup before beginning the defense of her Wimbledon title next week. She lost in the first round at her previous grass-court event at Queen's Club in London. Emma Raducanu dropped the first set on her way to a 6-7 (5), 6-3, 6-1 win over Ann Li of the United States. The seventh-seeded British player next faces Australian teenager Maya Joint, who on Monday eliminated Ons Jabeur, the two-time Wimbledon beaten finalist from Tunisia.

CLUB WORLD CUP

Messi's Miami, PSG set up reunion

AGENCIES @ Miami

INTER Miami's Lionel Messi faces a tantalising reunion with former club Paris Saint-Germain in the Club World Cup last 16 after both sides on Monday progressed to the knockout phase.Miami drew 2-2 with Palmeiras to go through second in Group A, after the Brazilian side fought back from two goals down to seal top spot. They now face an all-Brazil clash against Botafogo, who lost 1-0 to Atletico Madrid but progressed from Group B in second at the expense of the Spaniards.

European champions PSG won the group with a 2-0 victory over Seattle Sounders, paving the way for the clash with Messi and surprise package Miami.

Lionel Messi (C) in action for Inter Miami vs Palmerias in Club World Cup | AFP

Khvicha Kvaratskhelia and Achraf Hakimi scored either side of half-time as the Ligue 1 champions advanced as group winners because of Botafogo's late defeat to Atletico Madrid in Pasadena. Suarez, Messi, Sergio Busquets, Jordi Alba and Miami coach Javier Mascherano will also face their former coach Luis Enrique, who guided them to the treble when in charge at Barcelona in 2015.

Atletico out

PASADENA: Atletico's 4-0 defeat by Paris Saint-Germain in their opener left them needing a big win vs Botafogo to progress.

EXPRESS READ

Lalit, Das among three in joint lead

MUMBAI: India's Lalit Babu and Neelotpal Das scored impressive victories to join Gharibyan Mamikon of Armenia in joint lead after the eighth round at the Mumbai International Grandmaster Chess Tournament here on Tuesday. While Babu defeated GM Alexei Fedorov of Belarus with white pieces in 39 moves, Das got the better of IM Arsen Davtyan of Armenia.

Asian Snooker: Paras storms into semis

COLOMBO: India's Paras Gupta, who outplayed reigning IBSF World 6-Red snooker champion Kamal Chawla earlier in the day, scored a crushing 5-0 win over Sunny Wang to storm into the semifinals of the ACBS Asian 6-Red Snooker Championship here on Tuesday. The 29-year-old Agra cueist played the big points well to put it past the Singaporean.

India women lose to ECB Developmental XI

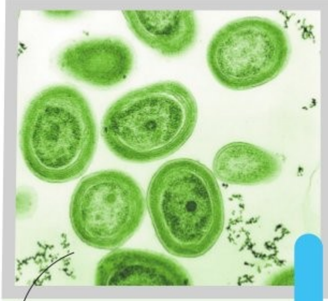
BECKENHAM: India women went down to ECB Developmental XI in a 50-over practice game ahead of the ODIs and T20Is to begin on June 28. ECB XI posted 353/5 thanks to Maia Bouchier's century (104). The other opener Emma Lamb chipped in with a 92-ball 94. In response, Shafali Verma, who is not in the ODI squad, opened the batting. Once she fell, Harleen Deol scored a 91-ball 100 and Kaur hit a 47-ball 54 but the rest could not sustain the run-rate.

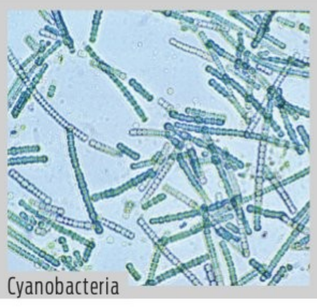
DID YOU KNOW?
Red light is used in traffic signals primarily because it has the longest wavelength in the visible spectrum, making it visible even from far away

Researchers have developed a printable gel that is infused with ancient cyanobacteria — a 'photosynthetic living material' which not only grows, but removes CO_2 from the air, twice over

ANCIENT MICROBES TACKLE CO_2

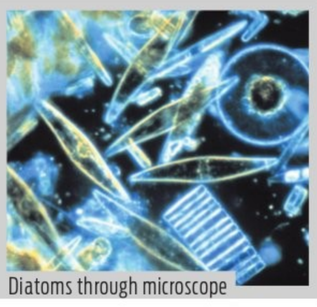
Picoplanktonics shows large-format objects made of photosynthetic structures | VALENTINA MORI/ BIENNALE DI VENEZIA





Cyanobacteria

Purple sulfur bacteria



Diatoms through microscope

Photosynthetic Microbes

Green Algae (Chlorella, Scenedesmus): Capture CO_2 efficiently, used in biofuels and carbon sequestration

Diatoms: Silica-shelled algae; key in marine carbon cycling and nanomaterials

Purple Sulfur Bacteria: Anaerobic photosynthesisers, useful in bioenergy and wastewater systems

N_2-Fixing Bacteria

Rhizobium & Azotobacter: Improve soil fertility by converting atmospheric nitrogen into usable forms

Frankia: Helps non-legume plants thrive in nitrogen-poor soils

Biomineralising Bacteria

Sporosarcina pasteurii: Produces calcite; used in self-healing concrete and soil stabilisation

Bacillus subtilis: Biofilm-former used in living building materials

Engineered Microbes

E. coli (engineered): Produces biofuels, plastics, and medicines

Yeast (S. cerevisiae): Ferments biomass into chemicals

MICROBES LIKE CYANOBACTERIA: KEY PLAYERS IN SUSTAINABILITY

HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE

CYANOBACTERIA, often referred to as blue-green algae, are a group of photosynthetic bacteria that have existed for over 3.5 billion years. Despite their misleading name, they are not algae but prokaryotic microorganisms, lacking a nucleus and organelles, that played a foundational role in shaping life on Earth. Through oxygenic photosynthesis, cyanobacteria began producing oxygen billions of years ago, triggering the Great Oxidation Event around 2.4 billion years ago. This transformation allowed aerobic life to emerge and fundamentally altered the Earth's atmosphere and biosphere.

Today, cyanobacteria continue to be vital components of diverse ecosystems. They are found across freshwater, marine, and terrestrial environments, and some species even thrive in extreme conditions such as polar ice or geothermal springs. Cyanobacteria exist as single cells, colonies, or long filaments. Importantly, some species possess the ability to fix atmospheric nitrogen into ammonia, making them valuable in agriculture and natural ecosystems where they help sustain soil fertility.

Beyond their ecological functions, cyanobacteria have become a major focus of biotechnology and materials science. Their efficiency in capturing carbon dioxide and light makes them promising tools for carbon sequestration and biofuel production. Under the right conditions, typically involving excess nutrients and warmth, cyanobacteria can proliferate rapidly, causing harmful algal blooms that threaten ecosystems and public health. But scientists are now turning these same capabilities toward solving pressing environmental problems, particularly those related to carbon emissions and sustainable construction.

A breakthrough in this field comes from ETH Zurich, where a multidisciplinary team led by Prof Mark Tibbitt has developed a 'photosynthetic living material' by incorporating cyanobacteria into a printable hydrogel. This innovation, recently published in Nature Communications, combines biology and materials science to produce a living structure that not only grows and self-repairs, but also actively removes CO2 from the atmosphere.

At the heart of this material is a type of cyanobacteria that excels at photosynthesis, even under low light conditions. As the bacteria metabolise CO2 and water, they produce biomass, converting inorganic carbon into organic compounds. But the unique feature of these specific cyanobacteria is their ability to alter their chemical surroundings during photosynthesis. This causes minerals, such as calcium carbonate (lime), to precipitate out of the surrounding environment, storing CO2 in a highly stable, solid form. This process, known as biomineralisation, enables the material to serve as a dual carbon sink: storing carbon both in living biomass and as mineral deposits.

Sustainable architecture

The implications for sustainable architecture and environmental technology are significant. Unlike traditional construction materials, which contribute heavily to carbon emissions, these living materials act as carbon absorbers. In lab conditions, the material absorbed around 26 mg of CO2 per gram over a period of 400 days — substantially more than many biological alternatives and on par with certain chemically engineered materials, such as recycled concrete.

The carrier for the cyanobacteria is a specially designed hydrogel — a water-rich network of cross-linked polymers. This hydrogel allows light, nutrients, CO2, and water to reach the embedded cells, while providing a stable scaffold in which they can live and reproduce. The researchers used 3D-printing techniques to shape the material into structures that maximise surface area, light penetration, and nutrient diffusion. This careful design ensures that the cyanobacteria remain active and productive for long periods, over a year in some tests.

Dalia Dranseike, a co-author of the study, notes that geometry and passive nutrient distribution are key: "We created structures that enable light penetration and passively distribute nutrient fluid throughout the body by capillary forces." As a result, the photosynthetic activity is sustained without the need for complex external systems.

Beyond the lab, the material has already been used in full-scale experimental installations. At the Venice Architecture Biennale, ETH doctoral student Andrea Shin Ling scaled the production of the living material from the lab to architectural dimensions. In the Picoplanktonics installation for the Canada Pavilion, the team constructed tree-trunk-like forms up to 3-metres tall. These living structures, powered by embedded cyanobacteria, are estimated to sequester up to 18 kg of CO2 annually, comparable to a mature pine tree.

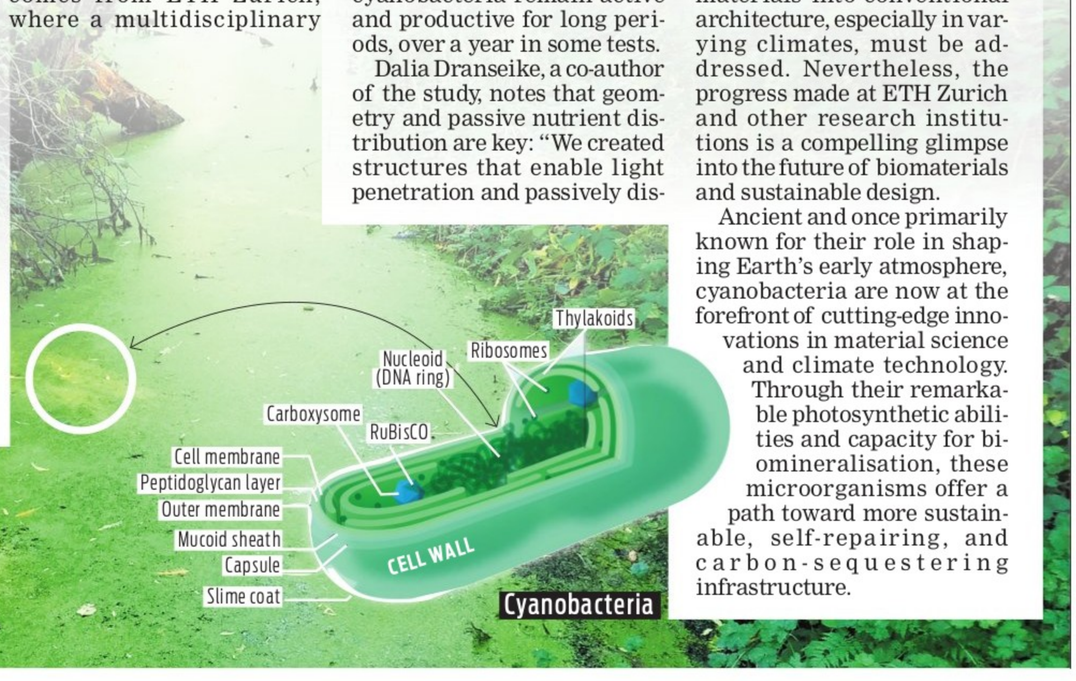
"The installation is an experiment," says Ling, adding, "We've adapted the Canada Pavilion to provide enough light, humidity, and warmth for the cyanobacteria to thrive, and now we watch how they behave." The installation is monitored and maintained daily, showcasing the balance between design, biology, and environmental stewardship.

Another experimental project, Dafne's Skin, was unveiled at the 24th Triennale di Milano. Created in collaboration with MAEID Studio and Dalia Dranseike, the installation explores how living materials can change the aesthetics and functionality of building facades. In this piece, wooden shingles are overgrown by microorganisms, creating a deep green patina that symbolises both decay and renewal. As these microbial colonies grow, they bind atmospheric CO2, making the structure both beautiful and environmentally beneficial.

These pioneering applications suggest that cyanobacteria-based materials could one day supplement, or even replace, traditional building materials, offering carbon-negative alternatives to cement, plaster, and insulation. The idea is not only to offset emissions but to build infrastructure that becomes an active participant in climate remediation.

Still, there are challenges ahead. Long-term stability, safety, scalability, and regulatory approval remain areas of ongoing research. Questions about how to integrate living materials into conventional architecture, especially in varying climates, must be addressed. Nevertheless, the progress made at ETH Zurich and other research institutions is a compelling glimpse into the future of biomaterials and sustainable design.

Ancient and once primarily known for their role in shaping Earth's early atmosphere, cyanobacteria are now at the forefront of cutting-edge innovations in material science and climate technology. Through their remarkable photosynthetic abilities and capacity for biomineralisation, these microorganisms offer a path toward more sustainable, self-repairing, and carbon-sequestering infrastructure.



SOIL TECHNOLOGY

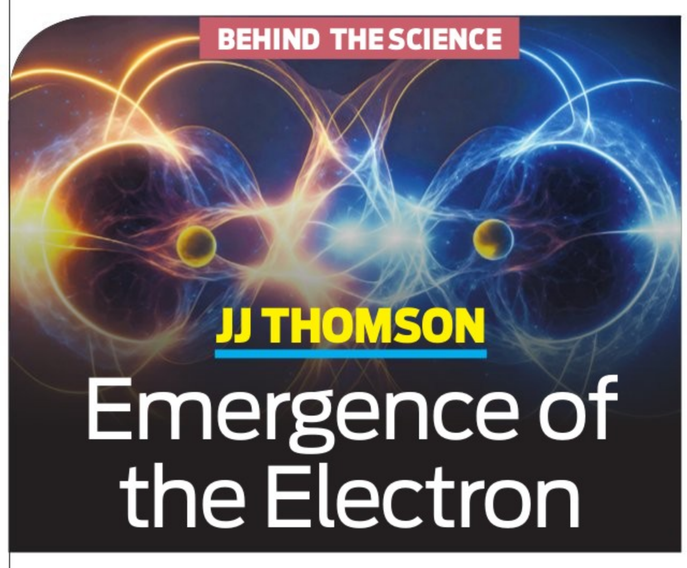
MAKING CHICKPEAS SAFER FOR VEG PROTEIN SOURCE

A significant vegetarian protein source, chickpeas (known as 'chana' in India) production in the country contributes to at least 70% of the global production. Technological progress and the national food security programme have pushed up the chickpea production from 73 lakh tonnes in 2014-15, to 1.4 crore tonnes in 2021-22. But the crop faces a threat from sclerotinia disease, which is more commonly referred to as 'white mold'. The threat is serious considering that the pathogen – Sclerotinia sclerotiorum – can survive for very long periods in the sclerotia in the soil, which is the hardened, compact mass of fungal mycelium, the vegetative part of a fungus. This poses a major challenge to chickpea crop protection with its potential to reduce the yield by up to 50%. But now, researchers from India's Lovely Professional University and Morocco's National School of Agriculture of Meknès, have come up with a combination of biochar – a porous carbon obtained through the high-temperature pyrolysis of biomass under oxygen-deficient conditions – and a biocontrol fungus called Trichoderma, which inhibits pathogens by competing for nutrients and secreting antimicrobial substances, while promoting plant root development. The researchers prepared biochar using biomasses like hardwood, kitchen waste and wheat straw and grew Trichoderma on it and put it in the chickpeas fields. The researchers observed the effective inhibitory impact on Sclerotinia sclerotiorum by using different concentrations of the mix. The field trials successfully verified the inhibitory effects of the biochar-Trichoderma combination on the pathogen. Importantly, the biochar-Trochoderma combination also promoted the root development in the chickpea crop, and reduced disease severity by 36.5%. The added benefit is that it reduces the scope to use chemical pesticides in improving the quality of the crop that is a favourite of the Indian population.

Simply SCIENTIFICO

Science is a world in itself. Here are some interesting facts that connect with you

Nirad Mudur

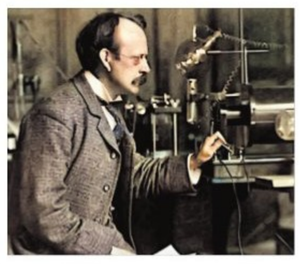


HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE

ELECTRONS are fundamental particles with a negative electrical charge, playing a crucial role in the structure of atoms. They are essential for various physical phenomena and chemical reactions, and are integral to modern atomic theory.

Sir Joseph John Thomson, commonly known as JJ Thomson, was born on December 18, 1856, in Cheetham Hill, Manchester, England, and is credited with making one of the most significant scientific discoveries of the 19th century — the electron.

Thomson studied engineering at Owens College, Manchester, and later went on to Trinity College, Cambridge, where he became a fellow and eventually succeeded Lord Rayleigh as the Cavendish Professor of Experimental Physics in 1884. It was at the Cavendish Laboratory that Thomson conducted his most famous experiments.



In 1897, through his investigations with cathode ray tubes, Thomson demonstrated that cathode rays were not rays of light or electromagnetic waves, as previously thought, but instead streams of negatively-charged particles. These particles were much smaller than atoms and later came to be known as electrons. This discovery was revolutionary, since it was the first evidence that atoms were not indivisible, as believed in Dalton's atomic model, but composed of smaller subatomic particles.

To explain his findings, Thomson proposed the "plum pudding" model of the atom in which electrons were embedded in a sphere of positive charge, like plums in a pudding. Though later replaced by more accurate atomic models, Thomson's concept was a crucial step in understanding atomic structure. In addition to discovering the electron, Thomson contributed to the understanding of ions and isotopes and conducted significant research in mass spectrometry. His influence extended far beyond his own discoveries, as he mentored several future Nobel Prize winners, including Ernest Rutherford.

Thomson was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1906 for his work on the conduction of electricity through gases. He was knighted in 1908 and became the president of the Royal Society in 1915. He passed away on August 30, 1940, in Cambridge, but his legacy remains foundational in physics and chemistry. JJ Thomson's discovery of the electron transformed science's understanding of matter and opened the door to modern quantum physics and electronics.

HOW IT WORKS

A BOOK OF DRAWINGS: A TIMELESS PILLAR OF MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE

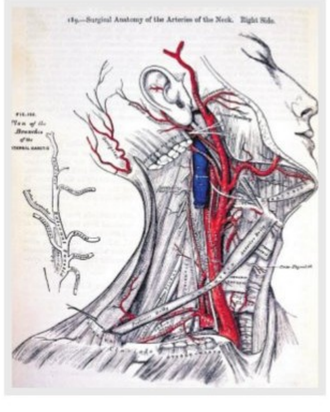
HRITHIK KIRAN BAGADE

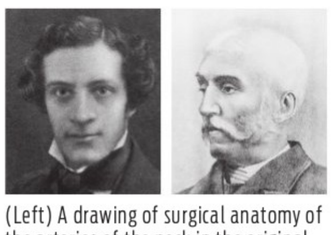
HUMANS have been fascinated by the human body since ancient times. Ever since man evolved and settled, fell ill and began looking for cures, the understanding of the human body became one of the most important learnings, leading to the development of clinical antidotes. The human body is a complex universe unto itself, and anatomical knowledge, which has advanced by leaps and bounds today, began through a mix of curiosity and risky experimentation.

In ancient and medieval times, anatomical knowledge was best left to conjecture. Classical texts, like those of Galen, were foundational but sometimes inaccurate due to reliance on animal models and limited human dissections. Animal dissections, particularly of pigs and apes, were common, but their applicability to humans was sometimes questionable. Human dissections, while sometimes performed, were often limited due to social and religious restrictions. This caused uncertainty in the outcomes of surgical procedures.

A text, first published in 1858, would change all that. 'Gray's Anatomy: Descriptive and Surgical' — this book created by English anatomist Henry Gray and illustrated by his colleague Henry Vandyke Carter — was a revelation for medical science and knowledge. Conceived as a practical, affordable textbook for medical students and practitioners, it revolutionised the study of human anatomy and remains a foundational work in medical education more than 160 years later.

At the time, Gray was a young surgeon at St. George's Hospital in London. He recognised the need for a clear and comprehensive anatomy guide and enlisted Carter, an accomplished anatomist and exceptional illustrator, to collaborate on the project. What set their work apart was not only Gray's concise, systematic descriptions, but also Carter's groundbreaking illustrations. Carter personally dissected cadavers and created over 360 detailed drawings. His fine line work, careful shading, and anatomical accuracy brought a new level of clarity to anatomical education, helping students visualise complex structures with precision.





(Left) A drawing of surgical anatomy of the arteries of the neck in the original Gray's Anatomy. (Above left) Henry Gray, and Henry Vandyke Carter

The first edition was met with immediate acclaim. It offered a remarkable combination of scientific accuracy and visual accessibility, which made it an indispensable tool for students and physicians. Tragically, Gray died of smallpox in 1861, aged 34. Nevertheless, the work he and Carter produced lived on and continued to evolve. The book has since gone through over 40 editions, expanding in scope to include developments in microscopic anatomy, embryology, and imaging technologies like MRI and CT scans.

Beyond its educational use, Gray's Anatomy has had a profound influence on the field of medical illustration and publishing. It was one of the first texts to integrate illustrations so closely with the narrative, establishing a standard that would influence future medical textbooks. In fact, Carter's anatomical drawings were so highly regarded that many remained virtually unchanged in editions decades after the original publication. Interestingly, despite its popularity, Henry Gray earned very little money from the book during his lifetime, and Carter received only a modest fee for his illustrations. Today, Gray's Anatomy remains a vital reference for students, surgeons, and researchers, in their quest to understand the human body.

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Korean war

On this day, in 1950, armed forces of North Korea, with the support of Soviet leader Joseph Stalin, waged war on South Korea

HOT WAR

This was the first hot war – involving active military hostilities – of the Cold War, that continued for the next three years. The casualities of the war was estimated at three million

ALLIES

The US, acting under the auspices of the United Nations, quickly sprang to the defense of South Korea and 'limited' its goal of protecting the South

CEASEFIRE

After Stalin's death in March 1953, the new leadership leaned towards a cease-fire. It was ultimately signed on July 27, 1953

CE's guide to happenings in the city

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KIDDING IT!

Inspired by her mother's financial advice, standup comedian Sonu Venugopal's latest show which will be performed in ooru on July 6, weaves together her childhood stories and experiences

ANJALI RAM

BY finding humour in everyday life and staying close to her roots, Bengaluru-based comedian **Sonu Venugopal** has carved a niche for herself in the world of standup comedy. Growing up in a small town with her grandparents significantly influenced Venugopal's narrative style. "I had a very happy childhood. And the humour is about the simplicity of things and how we perceive it – it's just that it is so simple," she recalls.

Her latest show, 'High Risk Low Return,' which has an upcoming show on July 6, and will tour outside the city too, is one such reflection of her personal journey, blending together stories from childhood to adulthood. The title, inspired by a piece of financial advice from her mother, serves as a theme that ties the various narratives together. "The theme is the title, some financial advice that I got from my mother. And I have tied every story back to this," she shares, adding, "When I was performing my first show, Punya Koti, I was parallelly writing this show; around last year, we did a couple of trial shows for the same."

Her storytelling style is also influenced by her grandfather who would often share engaging tales. "My childhood was marked by my grandfather's fantastic storytelling. A lot of humour in my shows are influenced by my experience of growing up with grandparents," she says.

Despite humour being a significant everyday ingredient, Venugopal's standup journey is also met with hurdles like the occasional creative blocks which she navigates with a few strategies. "It's trial and error every single day. I either drag myself out of the house to go for a walk, or I take short breaks or holidays which often helps me to realign," she shares.

Thereby crafting small bits of stories and finding ways to connect them, her plan is to visit several cities, including Mumbai, Mysuru, and Pune and a potential US tour on the horizon – starting from this month.

Her mantra is having fun on stage, which allows for spontaneity and improvisation. "It's like a whole journey for me from the time I have been a child till now...I have tried to tie it together. It would be exciting to perform in a regional language outside the state as well," she notes.

When asked what the audiences can majorly expect, Venugopal concludes, saying, "I just want them to have fun and have a good laugh. I want them to laugh at the absurdity and relatability factor. Even if they forget about me after the show, it's fine."

(Watch Sonu Venugopal live on July 6 at Just BLR Comedy Club at 3.30pm)

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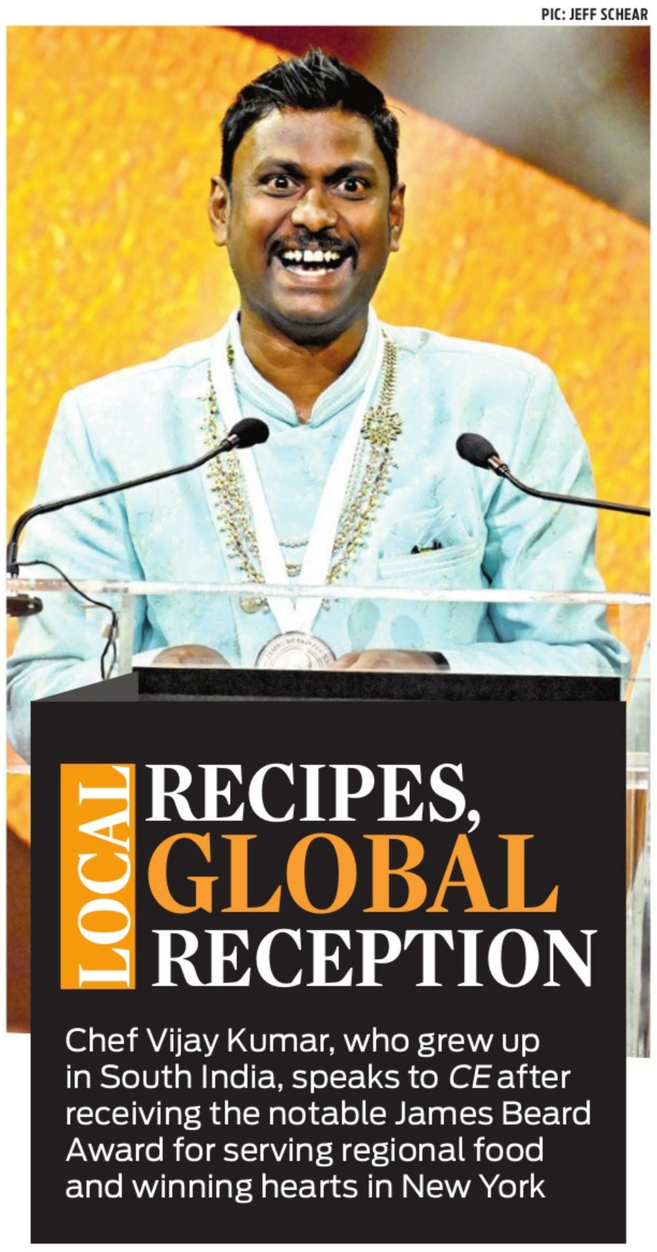

LOCAL RECIPES, GLOBAL RECEPTION

Chef Vijay Kumar, who grew up in South India, speaks to *CE* after receiving the notable James Beard Award for serving regional food and winning hearts in New York

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JAMES Beard Award for The Best Chef in New York! For **Vijay Kumar**, whose roots and heart lie in the land of his hometown, Tamil Nadu, the win feels beyond incredible. It's an honour to the food he grew up eating, a tribute to his grandmother's hyperlocal dishes, his mother's kitchen tips; an award to his identity, to his unapologetic cooking.

Wearing a powder blue coloured kurta and a veshti, the executive chef of Semma speaks at the 2025 James Beard Awards, as ecstasy gushes in to his nerves, "I come from a small farming village where food was a way to care for each other, it was a celebration, it was survival; I never imagined the journey would lead me till here."

The restaurant, Semma, which took form in 2021, in Greenwich, New York, was built with a tinge of his childhood, a blob of his food culture, where the ingredients are served like an unforgettable fragment of his life. Despite standing on the peak of his culinary voyage, he would never want to erase his humble upbringing. "When I started cooking, I never thought a dark-skinned boy from Tamil Nadu could make it to a room like this," his words echo at the award ceremony. The 25 years of his life in the culinary field were always about staying true to his ethics, uncompromised and unapologetic. His vacations, outings with grandparents, the fishing and hunting sessions, relishing food wrapped in banana leaves, were probably where he drew food ideas from, teaching him to retain the raw flavours of nature and resist sophistication.

At Semma, Kumar says they are not trying to dilute the taste by adjusting the taste according to Westerners. "We cook our food just like how we cook back home. And New York, really appreciates the fact that we are true to ourselves. Looks like the whole of America has guaranteed to accept that," he says.

Kumar, who earned his first Michelin star in 2022 for Semma, making it the only Indian restaurant in the United States with that honour, and previously for a restaurant called Rasa, sums up his journey of recognition: "Three years ago, we were number 12; in 2024, we were number seven, and then number one in 2025; that's shocking, that's insane," he shares.

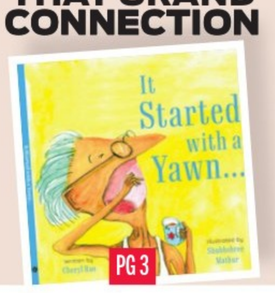
This year has been rewarding for the chef – named the No.1 restaurant in New York by *The New York Times*, and the James Beard. An elated Kumar shares, "This is the first time ever that an Indian restaurant topped it up in *The New York Times* list; and (an Indian) won the James Beard in American history. This was the first nomination, and we won the first time itself."

Once judged for what was on his plate, this globally known chef's recipes are challenging those encountered perceptions on social status, caste, class, and religion. He proudly says, "It's the same food that I'm cooking in, like, in Manhattan, which is a culinary capital of the world, and people are loving it."

While he wanted to chase his dreams, he was ashamed to disclose to his peers about choosing the less-traveled path. But today, Kumar is constantly breaking stereotypes. Alluding to his school days, he shares, "All my parents knew was they wanted to give me a better education. They tried hard to pay my fees."

It was hard to explain to his parents what this award was about. His mother came to know about it because his neighbours were talking about it. "She was so emotional," he says. Kumar believes that this was the answer to why he had gone so far chasing his passion, carrying the teachings of his mother and grandmother from the kitchen.

THAT GRAND CONNECTION



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KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**
Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

1 Some of the important roads in Bengaluru are known by their short or abbreviated names, each of which has a story behind them. While Krishna Rajendra Road is known as KR Road, Jayachamarajendra Road is known as JC Road, Old Taluk Cutchery Road as OTC Road, Chinmaya Mission Hospital Road as CMH Road, Subedar Chatram Road as SC Road, Mahakavi Kuvempu Road as MKK road and so on. Is OPH Road in Shivajinagar expanded as Old Poor House Road: Yes or No?

2 Road names connected with their design or pattern are common in Bengaluru. Double Road, Link Road, Ring Road, Chord Road, 100 Feet Road, High Street, Curve Road are some of them. Name the prominent residential locality in the city which has Serpentine Road.

3 Some of the roads in Bengaluru have floral or garden prefixes to their names, Margosa Road, Sampige Road, Lalbagh Road, East Park Road, Silver Jubilee Park Road, Tulasi Thota Road etc. One of the earliest extensions (a prominent residential locality) of the city has a street named Coconut Avenue Road. Name the locality: Chamarajpet or Malleswaram.

Nikhita Thomas and Pranav VS' project 'Cannt Stop, Won't Stop' maps women's mobility in public places in the Cantonment, during a time of 'kineticization' back in the day

Cantering around Cantonment

MAHIMA NAGARAJU

"WE see men hanging out at tea stalls, smoking and drinking chai – they can exist there without being looked at, but why can't we see many women doing that?" asks Nikhita Thomas, recalling the question posed by a group of women in *Mobile Girls Koottam: Working Women Speak* by Madhumita Dutta. It is this question that led Thomas and her collaborator, fellow assistant professor at St. Joseph's University, Pranav VS, on a journey of mapping Bengaluru's Cantonment – not in the way that cartographers and city planners have done for centuries – but in terms of how young women historically interacted with public spaces in this colonial part of town. Their showcase 'Cannt Stop, Won't Stop', created with a grant from The India Foundation for the Arts, is set to welcome visitors at 1Shanthiroad Gallery on June 28 and 29.

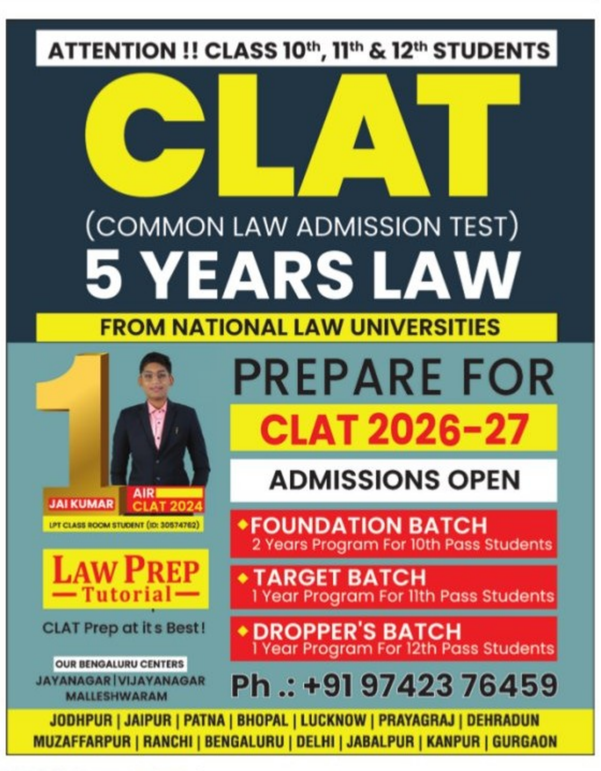
One of the participants of the project, Vineeta Sareen, with her moped

Speaking to women who studied, worked, or lived in the Cantonment in the '80s and '90s, the project seeks to understand how they 'hung out' during a period in which women increasingly entered public life. Partly fuelling this was 'kineticization' as women with Kinetic Hondas and other bikes gaining popularity in India, could move around more freely. Pranav says, "There were two waves of liberalisation that made 'kineticization' possible because the economy opened up. Lots of pubs and theatres also started in the Cantonment during this time, creating a hotbed for leisure activities."

The showcase will have on display an art book-cum-zine with stories that women have shared, from memories of juicy rasgullas kept ready by a shopkeeper to sate her pregnancy cravings to stories of lugging around huge typewriters to work, and nooks and crannies that hold a special place in people's hearts. "One person always went to Commercial Street to shop, into a gully where all the tailors lived. Her favourite activity was to go into the shop itself – there was a mezzanine floor above the house and they would dangle a rope which she'd have to catch and climb onto the ladder. She recalled how she and her sister loved doing this," recounts Pranav as Thomas adds, "It's a walk down memory lane because they've forgotten a lot." From all the obscure facts they learnt from these conversations, the duo also held quiz events over the last few months.

These photographs and objects that their subjects have dug up have been put on display at the showcase, adding a tactile, interactive element to the exhibit. "Journalist CK Meena gave us a personal invitation card from Ramachandra Guha and his wife celebrating the 20th anniversary of Premier Book Shop. Another found a picture of herself with her father's bike which she used to ride in front of Rex Theatre. We've included things that are, in a sense, archival media related to the city," says Thomas.

In a city that has changed drastically since the '80s and continues to do so, the duo hopes that their project gives visitors a moment of pause. "You get to slow down and walk through the neighbourhood to get a sense of what it used to be. Maybe it will inspire someone to pay attention to what may be missed when you're on the motorway."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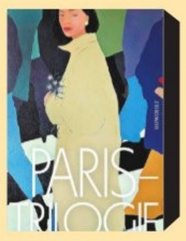
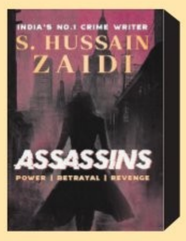


The Paris Trilogy
by Colombe Shneck

The Paris Trilogy is three semi-autobiographical takes on a woman's life, starting with Seventeen, progressing with Friendship, and then Swimming: A Love Story. Exploring questions of sexuality, bodily autonomy, femininity, friendship and loss.

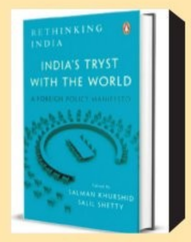


Assassins
by Hussain Zaidi

From his plush hideaway in Bangkok, underworld don Shakti Pillai is fed up with the police force's inability to stop him. Some of India's biggest businessmen hire Venus, a hitman. Who will win?

On the Brink of Belief
edited by Kazim Ali (in partnership with The Queer Muslim Project)

This anthology redefines South Asian literary canons. Twenty-four writers in this collection interrogate everything from intergenerational grief and gendered violence to queer rituals.



India's Tryst With The World
edited by Salil Shetty and Salman Khurshid

How do we understand the evolution of India's foreign policy from the early years after Independence to the present day? This is among the big questions India's Tryst with the World seeks to address.

LOOKING INTO THE PAST

Artist T Narayan showcases the Old Mysore Palace to visitors at the 'Ancient Karnataka Exhibition' held at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

QUICKFIX

CHEESE GARLIC BREAD

INGREDIENTS

- **Bread:** 4 slices
- **Butter:** 2 tbsp
- **Garlic cloves:** 2, finely minced
- **Grated mozzarella cheese:** ½ cup
- **Oregano and chilli flakes:** A pinch

METHOD

- Mix the butter and minced garlic in a small bowl.
- Spread the garlic butter on one side of each bread slice.
- Sprinkle grated cheese evenly on top.
- Heat a pan on low flame, place the bread slices, and cover with a lid.
- Cook until the cheese melts and the bottom turns golden brown and serve hot.

Contributed by **Shwetha S Yazhini,** Bengaluru

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Comedy Chaos

Engage in an evening of wild humour with a standup comedy show with edgy jokes. With tickets priced at ₹149 per person, the city's comedy regulars are set to take the stage to deliver a night full of unexpected laughs.

WHEN: June 24, 9pm
WHERE: Bistro Claytopia, Koramangala
DETAILS: district.in

Boxing Mania

Join a Boxing workshop and explore the fundamentals of boxing. Led by a professional instructor with a beginner-friendly approach, participants can learn striking, grappling, and self-defence techniques while building strength and endurance through focused drills.

WHEN: June 24, 8.30pm
WHERE: NY Knockout Academy, Bilekahalli
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Ballet Sync

Enjoy an evening of movement and expression with a selection of classical and modern ballet excerpts. Featuring scenes from *The Nutcracker* and more, the event offers a contemporary insight into ballet.

WHEN: June 25, 7pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
DETAILS: thelewisfoundation.org

WHEN: June 25, 7.30pm
WHERE: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar
DETAILS: Rangashankara.org

Modern Myth

Witness a satirical Kannada play, *Vishwamitra Menake dance Madodhu Enake*, written by YNK, who reimagines the tale of Vishwamitra and Menaka through the lens of middle-class life. This comedy showcases silence, desire, and social contradiction with wit and reflection. Tickets are priced at ₹200 per person.

Groovy Moves

Indulge in a night of high-energy music with DJ Nikz with a fiery mix of Bollywood and Punjabi hits. The event has a dance floor with non-stop beats, flavourful appetisers, and an electric crowd. The entry is free, but cover charges will be applicable.

WHEN: June 25, 7pm
WHERE: Badmaash, Koramangala
DETAILS: highape.com

Sculpted Canvas

Explore the world of Russian sculpture art through a hands-on workshop that blends relief painting and textured design. Curated for beginners, the event offers to sculpt with paste, creating 3D floral and ornamental artwork on canvas using palette knives and specialised tools.

WHEN: June 25, 11am
WHERE: StoryZone, HSR Layout
CALL: 7349151504

Celebrating a Legend

Join in to celebrate the founder of Bengaluru, Kempegowda's birth anniversary with Bandidevara Utsava, a three-day celebration. The festival honours his ancestors' migration and the symbolic reverence of bullock carts.

WHEN: June 24, 11.30am
WHERE: Press Club, Cubbon Park
CALL: 63644 09651

JATIN MALIK

Designer and founder, Jatin Malik Couture, New Delhi

How to start a fashion label

From stitching clothes for friends in Hisar to showcasing at Milan Fashion Week, Jatin Malik has built a luxury menswear label with presence in 30 global locations. Here, he shares his top five insights:

Fabric
The fabric is where your story begins. It isn't just about texture or price, but identity. Know what you want your label to stand for and let that inform your choices. Take time to sample, test, and build relationships with trusted vendors.

Name
Whether drawn from personal history or abstract inspiration, your label's name should hold meaning. Keep it distinct, memorable, and relevant. Check for trademark and domain availability early.

ASK AN XPERT

Location
Where you sell is how you're seen. Whether you opt for a high-street flagship or a tucked-away studio, the space should reflect your customer, your price point, and your personality. Let the location become a character in your brand's story.

Details
Spend time perfecting tiny things. A button, a stitch, a fold – these are not afterthoughts, they are the brand. From your moodboards to campaign rollouts, consistency and thoughtfulness create recall. Details show you care.

Production
Start lean. Outsourcing your production in the early days helps manage costs. But don't compromise on quality. Over time, you can move in-house. Until then, smooth execution is everything.

FITBIT

STANDING LATERAL SIDE BEND FLEXION CHAIR

This is a beginner pose usually done as part of Chair Yoga. This pose helps stretch the lateral body which helps one correct postural misalignments of the pelvic floor. It also helps lengthen the muscles of the lower side spine, and the lift of the diaphragm allows for deeper breathing without any extra effort. The Lateral Side Bend is an extremely safe stretch to be included in the practice for students who are in rehab after a herniated disc, provided the same is practised under the supervision of a yoga expert. It helps boost energy in the body and hence can be included in flow yoga sequences.

STEPS

- Stand in Tadasana Variation Feet Hip Wide (Mountain Pose Variation Feet Hip Wide) alongside a chair, maintaining rough one-arm distance with the chair.
- Then, place your right hand on the chair, and extend the other arm to shoulder level.
- Inhale, and extend the left arm to the ceiling, stretching all the fingers.
- Exhale, press the chair away with your left hand, sending your hips to the other side.
- Exhale, let your body arch towards the chair.
- Reach out with the free arm, keeping your chest and hips open towards the front.
- You can keep your neck relaxed, and shoulders away from the ears.
- You can hold the pose for about 4-6 breaths, breathing deep and slow. While here, be aware of the side upper and lower stretch.
- To release, exhale, lower the extended arm and relax the neck. Rest coming back to standing pose.
- Begin the practice of turning the other way and stretch the right arm up pushing the chair with the left arm. Stay for 4-6 breaths. Release and relax.

BENEFITS

- This can be used in therapy classes as it is extremely beneficial.
- It can be introduced in prenatal, postnatal, senior yoga, veteran yoga classes.
- Helps correct postural deformities, and can be performed by anyone.
- It provides a deep stretch on the sides of the body.
- Strengthens muscles like obliques, rhomboids, outer thigh muscles and glutes.
- It activates the transverse abdominals.
- Helps support the entire spine making it more flexible.
- This works as a hip opener for students with extremely tight hips.
- Motion of extending an arm overhead helps one breathe from the diaphragm.
- Allows the rib cage and lungs to expand fully, making a way for deeper breathing.
- Helps tone the side body, as fat tends to sit in pockets near the hips.

LIMITATIONS

- Students suffering from any cardiovascular issues or recovering from an injury or a surgery must avoid raising the arm overhead.
- Those who have breathing difficulties may want to bring their arms at shoulder level, avoid raising the hands up and above.
- Students suffering from pain in the neck, shoulder, hips, arms, chest, rib cage, pelvic girdle, ankles, or spine should avoid this side bend.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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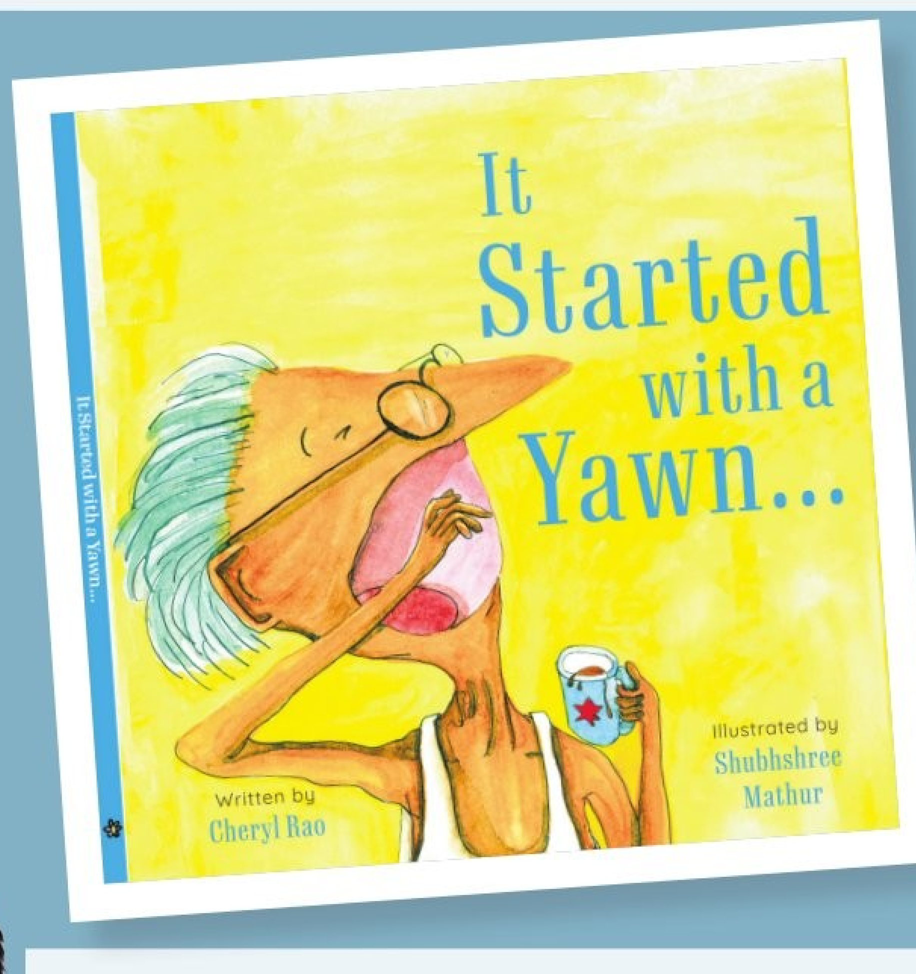
BLOSSOMING RESILIENCE

This painting, by Kerala-based artist Geetha Mary Elizabeth, is her take on humankind's spirit of resilience in the face of adversity



***It Started with a Yawn*, a book by Cheryl Rao, reflects the cherished bond of grandparents and kids, carefree childhoods, and their little joys**

That grand connection

SONU M KOTHARI

AS kids, most activities we indulged in were incomplete. We fell asleep even before the bedtime story narrated by our grandparents ended. We got bored of the drawing and coloured only the horn and half the body of a unicorn. We jumped off our seats to play with our neighbour without completing the meals. As kids, most of our beginnings had no ends. But we learnt a habit, a skill and sometimes, even built a bond in each of those unfinished moments.

Growing up, we understood that stories could be imagined and reimagined beyond their final words, and that art did not always have to be perfect and meaningful to be expressive. The bonds we made, included moments that seemed ordinary then, but feel sacred now – like grandparents guiding us through childhood and, in turn, grandchildren teaching them the art of seeing the world anew.

Cheryl Rao's latest book, *It Started With A Yawn* (Daffodil Lane Books; ₹299) highlights this bond of a grandparent and a grandchild. Rao penned this picture book underlining the nuances of this relationship – the care, the worry and the solace in their presence.

Excerpts:

• While the story is inspired from your father's sneezes, is there a personal connection, maybe you bond with your grandfather, to the story?
Yes, the grandpa in our family created adventures and stories out of nothing every day. It was a wonderful experience for his children and grandchildren because they escaped the disciplinarian in him.

• A yawn is such an ordinary gesture – what made you choose it as the focal point, and how did it evolve into a story?
I wanted the story to start calmly, quietly – and then build momentum until the earth-shattering finale, and I felt a yawn was slow enough and sleepy enough – and common enough – to get the ball rolling.

• Do you have a favourite line from the book?
I like these lines best:

I tried my best to make him stop:
Poured salt into his tea,
Massaged his head with olive oil, Put butter on his knee.

The reason I like these lines is because they show the special relationship between a grandparent and a grandchild, where there is so much leeway for the grandchild, so many liberties that are enjoyed, so many chances to behave a bit absurd and get away with it!

• If the book had a soundtrack, what kind of music would it include?
At the beginning, something slow, maybe a bit staccato, but not morose; then light and happy when the child is trying to make his grandfather laugh; finally the banging of drums, the clashing of cymbals – and tinkling laughter to end it all!

• The story moves from the waking, noisy world into the quiet of sleep, almost like a lullaby. Did you envision this book to be read during bedtime?
Everyone has different bedtime routines and this book was envisioned for waking time, break time, bedtime, fun time, anytime. It may work for some at bedtime but more importantly, I would like it to be a story that is picked up often and enjoyed thoroughly.

Moreover, Daffodil Lane Books commissioned the illustrations, which were done by Shubhshree Mathur. Her illustrations give a fun dimension to the story and were her vision of what happens. I think readers will relate and enjoy the experience as it unfolds.

• What emotions did you want to evoke in young readers by the final page?
The story is a little everyday adventure that could happen in any home and hopefully it will evoke a familiarity in young readers and the thought, 'This could happen to me with my Grandpa.' Because, even if exactly the same thing does not happen, something very similar could – and probably does on a more or less daily basis.

• Through this story, did you want intergenerational love or beyond?
This book is about the bond between a child and a grandparent and hopefully, it will help grandchildren to cherish their grandparents as much as grandparents cherish them – and also understand and value how important and central grandparents are to the family structure. For me, the central message is just love, concern, care – not only for a grandparent who forms an important part of the family and is so special for a grandchild, but for everyone.

HRIDAY RANJAN
Urban Bourbon
(Writer, comedian)

THE IT MONK WHO DROVE A TAXI

RECENTLY, a Bengaluru IT professional booked a cab and was shocked to realise that the driver was a team leader from work. Apparently, he was doing it out of boredom. Assuming that it's a true story and not a fever dream that the author saw during long hours of traffic, I wasn't overly shocked that a team leader would moonlight as a cab driver. Indian bosses always had trouble understanding the concept of work-life balance.

At first glance, the premise might sound fishy. To want to drive through Bengaluru traffic is sadomasochistic – but we don't judge people's kinks. My thoughts also went out to the employee. Ancient scriptures have repeatedly said that the most relaxing activity after work – is to crib about your colleagues on the drive back home. Imagine if she was lambasting her seniors, only to get a 2-star rating on her Uber profile and a two per cent hike at the office!

A cab driver's job is both hectic and relaxed – depending on whether you're an optimist or a pessimist. On the one hand, you get to hang out on the streets, without needing any company. Driving around, tolerating bikers coming from the wrong side, listening to RJs pretend to be interested in their jobs – it must all be a meditative experience. Cab drivers also spend most of their time speaking to someone on the phone, giving them live updates like Tom Cruise in *Mission Possible*. I often wonder if there's a call centre for cabbies. For a monthly fee, they will have people hold conversations with you to stay awake behind the wheel. You get to meet people from all walks of life, and get paid for doing it. In fact, many of the terms used by IT upper management are also used by cab drivers – 'You should have focused on the other language. There might be some delays. Let's take it offline'.

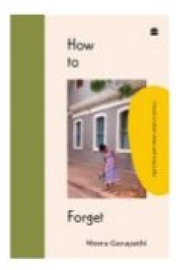
But if you're the kind whose whiskey glass is half-empty, driving around the streets of Bengaluru due to boredom is like swimming in Bellandur Lake for health benefits. There are the people who begin speaking to the drivers, asking *Shark Tank*-level questions about their earnings, profit margins, and 6-month financial goals. During the rains, the flooded roads resemble the sets of Pirates of the Taxpaying Civilian.

Or perhaps, he was just the greatest boss in the world. Going around in disguise like ancient kings, to find out what people really think of his company. Maybe he is scouting for new employees, poaching them at vulnerable traffic spots. Perhaps he wants a second career before AI eats everyone's jobs. Perhaps he's coming up with a competitor app and is looking to do market research at the grassroots level every night. The one good thing about this whole incident is that people might start treating drivers with more respect.

I thought about the man a lot. Maybe he loves driving. Maybe he grew up as a fan of Michael Schumacher and had to give up his F1 dreams for H1 compulsions. Or maybe driving around in Bengaluru is our version of a rage room. After an entire day of emails and Teams, you get to cancel rides on a whim, overtake, swerve, and splash water on unsuspecting bikers. Maybe he's a dude who wants to save money to pursue his passion but has to pursue Passion Pros and Splendors on the road. Either way, there's a lesson for all of us. Next time you board a cab – don't just give your OTP. Slide in an updated resume too. For you never know when you might meet the Monk who Drove a Taxi.

(The writer's views are personal)

NUGGETS



Conversation on prose and poetry to be held on June 29

A book discussion on the book *How to Forget* (Harper Collins; ₹599) between author Meera Ganapathi with poet-writer Joshua Muyiwa will take place on June 29 at 6pm at Champaca Bookstore, Vasanth Nagar, engaging with prose and poems of childhood, love, loss, and longing. Told through memory and impressions both personal and communal, the book chronicles lifetimes through the act of walking. For more information, visit champaca.in.

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CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, KAVIPRIYA RANJITH (New Name), residing at Flat No.103, Ashrith Aspire, 1st Main Road, Royal Shelters, BTM 4th Stage, Bangalore -560076, Karnataka India, that I have changed my name from KAVIPRIYA RANJITH KUMAR (Old Name) to KAVIPRIYA RANJITH (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as KAVIPRIYA RANJITH (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 24/06/2025, before Notary MOHAMMED HUSSAIN K, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I **MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA RAO** S/o Narayana Rao Residing at No.1849,/A/2, AECS 'A' Block, AECS Layout, Singasandra, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru 560068. Hereby solemnly declare that My Son's name as per his school records Aadhar card and Pan card his name is **BHAUMIK MANJUNATHA MULEY** and in his passport his name is mentioned as **BHAUMIK MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA** my name as **MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA** and my Wife's as **YOGITABEN CHANDRA NARAYANA** incorrectly, We request the concerned authorities to change my Son's name to **BHAUMIK MANJUNATHA MULEY** and my names to **MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA RAO** and my wife name **YOGITA GHANATE**, vide affidavit dated 24.06.2025 sworn to before Notary, **Prakasha C**, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sanjay Belliappa,** S/o Ganapathy Belliappa Pattamada, aged 22 years, residing at 101 GK Nest 1st Floor, 13th A Main, HAL. 2nd Stage, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560008, have changed my name from **Sanjay Pattamada Belliappa** to **Sanjay Belliappa**, vide affidavit dated 24/6/2025 sworn to before Uma Maheswary M.N, Advocate and notary Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Mrs. SAPNA KADANGERE NARASHIMHAN** W/o Udaysimha Alasinger MakaramResiding at No.1163, 2nd Main, 2nd Block, Ketham Hospital, BEL Layout, Vidyaranypura, Bengaluru-560097 Hereby solemnly declare that as per my Aadhar card my name is **SAPNA KADANGERE NARASHIMHAN** and in my passport my name is mentioned as **SAPNA KADERE NARASIMHAN,** Both the names belong to me only, Henceforth my name will be **SAPNA KADANGERE NARASHIMHAN** in all my records and documents vide affidavit dated 23.06.2025 sworn to before advocate and Notary, **C Pemmaiah,** Bengaluru.

SMART ADS

NANDINI TOURIST
RAMESHSHWARAM
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from 2-7-2025
PURI JAGANATH
trip by Flight 3 days
from 11-7-2025
SHIRDI, 3 JYOTRILINGA
trip by Flight 3 days
from 30-7-2025
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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) CV GEETHA,** Spouse of NO.15322863M, HAV, N RAVI, Residing at House NO.95, Hosahalli (Vill), Bija Wara (Post), Devanahalli (Tehsil), Bengaluru, KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 562100, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) V GEETHA** And **DOB** from **16.06.1982** to **16.06.1985** Vide Affidavit Dated 23.06.2025 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) J JAYAMMA** Spouse of NO.JC-315310F, NB/SUB, CHANDRASEKHAR JAKKULA, Residing at JP Chervu (Vill & PO), Giddalur (Tehsil), Racherla (MD), Prakasam (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 523368, Have Changed My name to **(NEW NAME) JAKKULA JAYAMMA** Vide Affidavit Dated 23.06.2025 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **APARNA MATHAPATI** R/at No.361, Sri Shaila, 7/8th Main, 6th Cross, RPC Layout, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru- 560040 have changed my name to **APARNA MATH** vide affidavit dated: 24/6/2025 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ADITRI MANGASULI AJAY,** D/o. Ajay Shrikant Mangasuli, and residing at No. G 238, Fortuna Centre Park 8th Main, 12th Cross, Triveni Road, Canara Bank Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ADITRI** to **ADITRI MANGASULI AJAY,** vide affidavit dated 23.06.025, sworn to before M. Radhamma, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **M. CHAMUNDESHWARI,** W/o Mr. M. Chandreshekar, R/o NO. 11, 8th Main, 5th Cross, Byrasandra, Jayanagar, Bangalore South, PO: Jayanagar III Block, Bengaluru-560 011 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **THATIPARTI CHAMUNDESHWARI** to **M. CHAMUNDESHWARI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **M. CHAMUNDESHWARI** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 24-06-2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MOHAMMED HUSSAIN .K** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MALATHI VENKATARAMANAPPA,** W/o. Kotesh Mallappa Sharegar, residing at No. 2082, Near Indra Tent Venkateshwara Extension Srinivaspur Kolar-563135, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MALATHI KOTESH** to **MALATHI VENKATARAMANAPPA,** vide affidavit dated 23.06.025, sworn to before M. Radhamma, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NITESH BHANUPRAKASH ANCHAN,** S/o. Bhanuprakash Anchan, residing at #2144, Tower-2, Prestige Song of the South, Begur Koppa Road, Opp. Indian Oil Petrol Pump, Akshay Nagar, Yelenahalli, Bengaluru 560068, have changed my name to **NITESH ANCHAN** vide Affidavit Dated: 24/06/2025 sworn before Notary **B.V.NAGABHUSHANA,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) NARASIMHA MURTHI,** Father of NO.15322863M, HAV, N RAVI, Residing at House NO.95, Hosahalli (Vill), Bija Wara (Post), Devanahalli (Tehsil), Bengaluru, KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 562100, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) H N NARASIMHAMURTHY** And **DOB** from **01.07.1945** to **02.03.1937** Vide Affidavit Dated 23.06.2025 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PUSHPALATHA .D,** aged about 30 years, W/o. Hariganesh Govindarajulu, residing at: Flat No.101, G2/90/1, "Appana Kanasu" 3rd B Cross, Bellandur Post, Bellandur-560 103.
I have changed my name from **"PUSHPALATHA NAGESHWARA RAO"** to **"PUSHPALATHA D"** Vide Affidavit dated **21/06/2025,** Sworn to before Notary P. Nanjunda, at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MOHAMED AYUB KHAN** S/o **Ameer Sab** R/at No.13/1A, 3rd Floor, Vajraputtanna Garden East Street, Neelasandra, Bengaluru- 560047 have Changed my name to **AYUB KHAN MOHDIN** vide affidavit dated: 24/6/2025 Before Notary **Meer Hassan** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KEHKASHA SIDDIQUI FAZAL** W/o **Mohammed Fazal Yakoob** and Holder Passport No: Z6030708 R/at No.118, 1st Cross, Hennur Main Road, Kacharkanahalli, Bengaluru-560084 have changed my name to **KEHKASHA NIZAM SIDDIQUI** vide affidavit dated: 24/6/2025 Before Notary **A.Gerard** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KOTESH MALLAPPA SHAREGAR,** S/o. Mallappa Sharegar, residing at No. 2082, Near Indra Tent Venkateshwara Extension Srinivaspur Kolar-563135, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KOTESH** to **KOTESH MALLAPPA SHAREGAR,** vide affidavit dated 23.06.025, sworn to before M. Radhamma, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHANKEY BHARATH JAIN** S/o **BHARATH JAIN** R/at No. 15/14 Shradananda Bhavan Road V V Puram Bengaluru- 560004 have changed my name to **SHANKEY JAIN** vide affidavit dated: 24/6/2025 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **D. VENKATACHALAPATHY,** s/o Nanjundappa, R/at No. 777, Jayanna Layout, Near Muneshwara Temple, Attibele, Bengaluru-562 107 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VENAKTESH .D** to **D. VENKATACHALAPATHY,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **D. VENKATACHALAPATHY** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 24th June 2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJ .B.N** at Bangalore.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) LAXMI DEVAMMA,** Mother of NO.15322863M, HAV, N RAVI, Residing at House NO.95, Hosahalli (Vill), Bija Wara (Post), Devanahalli (Tehsil), Bengaluru, KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 562100, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) LAKSHMEEDEVAMMA** And **DOB** from **01.07.1952** to **03.02.1944** Vide Affidavit Dated 23.06.2025 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I.Reema Agarwal, W/o Akash Agarwal , R/at, No-53024, Perestige Falcon City, Kanakpura Main Road, Konanakunte Metro Station, Konanakunte Cross, Bangalore -560062. I have Changed my Name from **REEMA AGARWAL** to **RREEMA AGARWWAL,** Vide affidavit dated 21.06.2025. before notary Prakasha.C Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MOHD ZIYAO REHMAN,** S/o Md Sirajuddin, age 42 years, R/at No. 47A, 1st Cross, Bagalur Main Road, Babanagar, Yelahanka-560 063 do hereby declare that all the names i.e. **MD ZIYAO REHMAN** and **MOHD ZIYAO REHMAN** are one and the same and refers to me only, vide affidavit dated 15th March 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **H. SRIDHAR RAO** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MADHUSOODANA,** S/o Ramananda Samanth, age 36 years, R/at No. 12A, 2nd A Cross, 3rd Phase, Happy Garden Aduru, Krishanrajapuram, Bangalore-560 049 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MADHUSOODANA** to **MADHUSOODANA RAMANANDA SAMANTH,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **MADHUSOODANA RAMANANDA SAMANTH** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23rd June 2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **S. SASIKALA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NYMA MALACHIRA GANAPATHY,** aged 44 years, W/o. **Chandrashekar Thardal Siddeshwar**, residing of No. 191, "D" Cross Road, Near Sparsh Hospital, Ideal Homes Township, Phase-2, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bengaluru- 560098, have changed my name from **NYMA MALACHIRA GANAPATHY CHANDRASHEKAR** to **NYMA MALACHIRA GANAPATHY** vide affidavit dated 20-06-2025 sworn before Notary **DEEPA M.** BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ANNAPURANI,** legally wedded spouse of No.13894939N, Rank: Ex Naik (TS)R Gopinathan presently residing at #485/2, 2nd Cross, JJ Church Road, Viveknagar, Ejipura, Bengaluru 560047, have changed my name from **ANNAPURANI** to **ANNAPURNA G** vide Affidavit Dated: 24/06/2025, sworn before Notary **S.I.BALAGURU,** Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **THANUSHREE MUNDRA,** W/o Antriksh Mundra, age 35 years, R/at No. 324, 4th A Cross, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Kalyananagar Post, Bengaluru-560 043 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **THANUSHREE RATHI JAGADISH PRASAD RATHI** to **THANUSHREE MUNDRA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **THANUSHREE MUNDRA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 24th June 2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N.** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO.JC-315310F, NB/SUB, CHANDRASEKHAR JAKKULA, Residing at JP Chervu (Vill & PO), Giddalur (Tehsil), Racherla (MD), Prakasam (Dist), ANDHRA PRADESH (State), PIN: 523368, Have Changed My SON name **(OLD NAME) J ASHWIN** to **(NEW NAME) JAKKULA ASHWN** Vide Affidavit Dated 23.06.2025 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I **MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA RAO** S/o Narayana Rao Residing at No.1849,/A/2, AECS 'A' Block, AECS Layout, Singasandra, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru 560068. Hereby solemnly declare that My Son's name as per his school records and Aadhar card his name is **LOHIT MANJUNATHA MULEY** and in his passport his name is mentioned as **LOHIT MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA** my name as **MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA** and my Wife's as **YOGITABEN CHANDRA NARAYANA** incorrectly, We request the concerned authorities to change my Son's name to **LOHIT MANJUNATHA MULEY** and my names to **MANJUNATHA CHANDRA NARAYANA RAO** and my wife name YOGITA GHANATE, vide affidavit dated 24.06.2025 sworn to before Notary, **Prakasha C,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Esther Timothy Asangi, (New Name) Previously Called Esther Vivek Gundimi (Old Name), W/o Vivek Arunkumar Gundimi and D/o Timothy Simon Asangi and residing at: No.1, 2nd Cross, Mallappa Layout, Seegehalli, Virgonagar Post, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560049, hereby state that I have changed my former name/surname from **"Esther Vivek Gundimi"** to **"Esther Timothy Asangi".** Vide Affidavit dated **23.06.2025,** before **Nijagunaradhya.T.C.,** B.A., LL.B. Advocate & Notary, Bangalore-560010.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MANJUNATHA THIPPESWAMY** S/o **Tippeswamy M** (Old Name) R/at Main Road Siddihalli VI Hiremallanahole Pojagalur, Davanagere, Karnataka- 577528 have changed my name to **MANJUNATHA THIPPESWAMY** S/o **THIPPESWAMY MUTHANNA** (New Name) vide affidavit dated: 24/6/2025 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LALITHA,** legally wedded spouse of No.13865423H, Ex Naik (TS) late K Kuppuswmy, presently residing at #27/4, A Block, GR Shree Nivas Apartment, Subhas Nagar, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru 560068, have changed my name from **LALITHA** to **K LALITHA,** vide Affidavit dated: 24/06/2025, sworn before Notary **N. KANCHIVARADARAJU,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sarita Singh,** W/o. Sailender Singh, Aged about 30 years, Residing at No. Villa No. 192, Geown Oasis, V Kallahalli, Sarjapura, Volagerakallahalli, Bengaluru - 562 125, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Sarita Kumari** to **Sarita Singh** vide affidavit dated 23.06.2025 sworn to before Veena Hadagali, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
We, **Mr. VINOD HARIHARAN** and **Mrs. SUJATHA VINOD,** both R/at No. C-207, Gopalan Residency, Pipeline Road, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560 040 do hereby declare that our son **N.V. CHOODAMANI** was born on **06-12-2007,** but in his SSLC Marks Card, his date of birth is wrongly mentioned as **06-12-2006** instead of **06-12-2007,** vide affidavit dated 26-03-2025, sworn before Advocate and Notary **H.S. SAKALESHARADHYA** at Bangalore.

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THE INDUSTRY NEEDS NEW FACES AND VOICES: RAJ B SHETTY

Backing fresh talent through his production house, Lighter Buddha Films, the filmmaker and producer wants to champion a new wave of Kannada torytellers, and ushers in his vision by backing a comedy horror-thriller

Raj B Shetty

A SHARADHAA

DIRECTOR-actor Raj B Shetty is back in the spotlight; however, this time, he's not just donning the hat of a filmmaker or actor. He's backing a new generation of storytellers through his production house, Lighter Buddha Films. Their latest project, a coastal-set comedy horror thriller titled *Su From So* is already striking the right chord, even before its release.

"We hope to make a statement through such films in the industry," says Raj B Shetty, adding, "As a production house, we have always believed our job is to create good Kannada cinema. Whoever watches it, even outside Karnataka, should feel the culture, the people, and the essence of this land. *Su From So* does exactly that—and more."

Directed by JP Thuminad, a well-known name in Tulu cinema, this film marks his Kannada directorial debut. Popularly known as JP, he got noted for his role in *Sapta Sagaradaache Ello* – Side B, and has earlier helmed Tulu hits like *Meera*, *Kattemar*, and *Katapadi Katappa*. In *Su From So*, JP steps into the Kannada space not only as a director but also as one of the lead actors. He stars alongside Shanil Gautham (*Kantara*), Deepak Rai Panaje, Prakash Thuminad, and Sandhya Arakere (*Toby*), along with a whole lot of theatre artists.

Coastal comedy with a horror twist

The film's title, *Su From So*, remains intentionally cryptic—its meaning to be revealed in the upcoming trailer. Set against the lush backdrop of coastal Karnataka and shot extensively around Mangalore, the film offers local flavour wrapped in an unusual blend of humour and horror. A film that balances laughter with unease, *Su From So* is coming soon to theatres, and an official release date will be announced shortly.

Pushing for new faces

Audiences expect Raj B Shetty to front his production ventures, and *Su From So* is a conscious attempt to break that expectation. "With my face, it becomes easier to sell a film," Raj admits, and adds, "But going forward, the dependency on known faces must fall. The industry needs new faces and voices. If JP succeeds here—either as director or actor, he'll get more opportunities. Same with Shanil Gautham and everyone else involved. That's the goal, to introduce new talent and let them establish themselves."

This philosophy runs deep through every department of *Su From So*. "Our first step as a team was to find very new talent," Raj explains. "Take Sumedh K, our music director. He was just 19 when he began working on this film. We found him on Instagram. His music had soul; it was raw, experimental, and bold. He agreed immediately when we reached out."

The background score is composed by Sandeep Thulasidas, known for his work with composer Sushil Shyam. Debutant Sushma Naik comes on board as production designer. "Even technically, we're giving chances to first-timers. They have time, they have hunger, and they have something to prove. That's how we designed this project."

Creativity over comfort

With each film under the Lighter Buddha Films banner, comparisons to Raj's previous works are inevitable. But the filmmaker remains clear: he doesn't repeat—neither his mistakes nor his creative choices.

"Every time we make a mistake in one film, we try to correct it in the next. However, creatively, we don't like to replicate. That's the trap. The audience deserves new experiences, and for that, we need new voices."

While Raj looks ahead to the release of *Rakkasapuradhol* and *45*, directed by Arjun Janya, his current focus remains firmly on *Su From So*. "I know I have a job—to direct and write, and I'm doing that. However, *Su from So* needs our attention right now. We want to take it to theatres—that has always been the aim."

Anil Shetty debuts as writer and actor with a new-age story on AI, love, and happiness

CE FEATURES

ENTREPRENEUR and politician Anil Shetty is all set to add another dimension to his multifaceted career: filmmaking. On his birthday, Anil announced his debut as both actor and writer, stepping into cinema with a project close to his heart.

Widely known for his work in startups, youth empowerment, and political reform, Anil Shetty has also co-founded fashion brands like Drip Project and MetaMan alongside cricketer KL Rahul and actor Suniel Shetty. Now, driven by a long-standing love for storytelling, he's turning his creative focus to the big screen.

"I've been in startups and politics. Now, I want to fulfil a dream I've held close for years, and that is films," Anil Shetty tells CE. "This is purely love for cinema. I will return to politics in 2028, but this phase is for the artist in me."

His debut film, currently untitled, will explore themes of AI, love, and happiness.

"I want to bring forth the chaos of technology and its impact on this generation, how we're lost in it, and how love and happiness are still held dearly," says Anil Shetty.

"I've watched over 600 films across languages, from Korean to Malayalam, not just for fun, but to learn. Now, it's time to tell a story of my own," he adds.

While the cast and crew are still under wraps, Anil Shetty plans to reveal the title and director soon.

Anil Shetty

'CINEMA IS FOR THE AUDIENCE, NOT AWARDS'

...says acclaimed director Satya Prakash about X & Y, a fantasy drama exploring pre-birth consciousness, soul-matching, and more

CE FEATURES

SATYA Prakash, best known for his award-winning films *Rama Rama Re* and *Ondalla Eradalla*, is back with his most daring and philosophical film yet—*X & Y*. The film, based on chromosomes, soul matchmaking, and pre-birth thought, blurs the line between realism and fantasy while staying deeply rooted in society.

When asked if being a "National Award-winning filmmaker" still holds weight, Satya Prakash doesn't hesitate. "When I make a film, the audience comes to see the story, not my awards. Awards are recognitions, yes, but they hang on walls. What stays alive is the connection with the audience—that is the real reward."

Known for exploring weighty themes like death (*Rama Rama Re*) and childhood (*Ondalla Eradalla*), *X & Y* turns the lens inward—toward life before birth. Is the film about gender, identity, or destiny?

"I'm talking about society. When we invite a guest, we clean the house, cook well, and make them comfortable. Shouldn't the same mindset apply when bringing a child into the world? What kind of thoughts are we passing down to the next generation?"

While *X & Y*, which releases on June 26 deals with soul matchmaking, Satya himself is not interested in marriage. So, how did the story come to him? "Marriage aside, I was once a child, watching the world. I had questions about caste, labels, and divisions. For years, I didn't even understand what caste meant. Once I did, I saw how society builds walls. This film comes from that place of questioning, of wanting to unlearn what we're taught."

Satya Prakash not only directed and wrote the film, but he also plays the lead.

"The decision was out of necessity," he says. "I approached many actors, but they didn't have the time. I didn't want to wait. I explained the story to several people, but they all wanted to play the child, Atharva Prakash's role, not the one I had in mind for them. So I stepped in, and I have Brinda Acharya and Aanya among others as part of the cast."

As a director-actor-producer, how did he manage the chaos on set?

"A co-actor in this film even asked why I was acting. But after they watched the film, one of them gave me a thumbs-up and said, 'You proved it.' I don't think it's about controlling the set. It's about loving the story enough to live it from all angles."

Despite its abstract theme, *X & Y* connects emotionally, he insists.

"We screened the film for auto drivers—because I play one in the film. During the climax, they were sobbing. There's a belief that such audiences only enjoy mass films. But they too feel deeply."

Combining comedy with philosophy wasn't a gimmick—it was intentional. "Serious issues can be told in lighthearted ways. That's how people listen."

But is he worried the film might be too niche or abstract? "Every story feels risky until it reaches someone. *X & Y* is not a larger-than-life film; it's intimate, immediate. I'm not sure if an audience for it exists yet, but maybe we're creating it. Once they come in, they will connect."

And through the eyes of an unborn soul, does he believe humanity deserves a second chance? "Only if we're ready to clean the house, not just for ourselves, but for those yet to come," he concludes.

Satya Prakash

Rajesh Murthy's *Bloody Babu* to release this week

CE FEATURES

DIRECTOR Rajesh Murthy, known for thrillers like Agnilok, *Lipstick Murder*, *Psychomax*, and Dinku, returns with a psychological action thriller, *Bloody Babu*, starring his son, Yashaswa. The film, slated for release on June 27, marks Yashaswa's second outing as a lead actor following his debut in Dinku. Notably, he is the grandson of HMK Murthy, a veteran cinematographer, director, and the first president of the Producers' Association.

Rajesh has taken on multiple responsibilities for this film: he has written the story and screenplay, directed, and also edited the film. It is produced by Dominic under the Angel Dreams Entertainments banner.

Set in scenic locales around Bengaluru, Nandi Hills, and Chikkamagaluru, the film was shot over 25 days. It features four distinctive stunt sequences, music by Nitish Kumar, and cinematography by Vinod R.

The plot revolves around two characters named Babu — one, a sinister hypnotist who manipulates minds; the other, a morally upright and physically strong hero who is immune to hypnosis. The psychological clash between these two Babus forms the core of the film.

Newcomer Smita plays the female lead, while Bollywood actor Dilip Kumar appears as the antagonist. Actor and politician NL Narendra Babu also plays a pivotal role.